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Taipei	7.18	8.52	11.04	12.14	12.34	1.49	5.09	6.24
Taipei Market	7.32	9.06	11.18	12.28	12.48	1.63	5.23	6.38
Fanning	7.46	9.20	11.32	12.42	12.62	1.77	5.37	6.52
Shanghai	7.59	9.33	11.45	12.55	12.75	1.91	5.51	7.06
Shanghai	8.12	9.46	12.00	1.10	12.88	2.05	6.05	7.20
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## M. KARAKHAN LAUGHS.

DISORDER IN CHINA NOT DUE  
TO RUSSIA.

CHINA NOT READY FOR  
COMMUNISM.

#### REFERENCES TO CANTON.

Absolute and emphatic, and at times  
laughing, denials were given by M. Leon  
Karakhan, Soviet Ambassador to China,  
to the widespread certainty that the  
present industrial and social unrest of  
China is due to Soviet influence and  
encouragement, and especially to the  
opinion that Bolsheviks are assisting  
with money, men and guns in attempting  
to create a Communist China, says a  
representative of the *China Press* who  
interviewed the Ambassador in Shanghai.  
In fact, asserted M. Karakhan, China  
is not ready for Communism; is not fit  
at present for even the first seeds of  
Communism.

Was it not natural, asks the inter-  
viewer, that when I asked him on behalf  
of *The China Press* as to the extent of  
Soviet domination in the policy of  
China, he should have laughed heartily.

[It seems very natural to us that M.  
Karakhan should have roared with  
laughter at the idea that he should be  
expected to answer frankly such a  
query.—Ed. H.K.D.P.]

Comrade Karakhan is a handsome man,  
handsome of feature, fine big eyes, broad  
forehead, almost a leonine head and with  
a physique many would envy him, con-  
tinues the *China Press* correspondent.  
He is nothing like his portraits and his  
manner is charming while also alert and  
active.

#### CANTON.

The interview lasted an hour and a  
half and naturally some references were  
made to Canton. The following extracts  
from the report of the conversation will  
interest Hongkong readers:

"Then," he was asked, "Soviet assistance  
is not behind the Canton party or  
behind its army?"

Here we got the infectious laugh of  
M. Karakhan. He shrugged his shoulders  
as is the wont of a man forced to  
explain an all too simple situation.

"Behind Canton and the army? The  
idea is ridiculous. We have nothing to  
do with the government of any part of  
China or with any of its army. That is  
the country's own affair."

Comrade Karakhan here emphatically  
denied all participation by his govern-  
ment in China's affairs. The talk of  
Canton receiving assistance in money  
from Soviet Russia was foolish. Not one  
penny had reached Canton from Soviet  
Russia, and all this talk of the Christian  
coffers, and all this talk of the Christian  
millions of roubles and thousands of men  
and hundreds of guns from Russia was  
the usual kind of allegation made to  
hurt Russia in the eyes of foreigners in  
this country and the world in general.

"Then Communistic China has not re-  
ceived one rouble from Soviet Russia to  
assist her cause?"

"Not one rouble! Prove it to me if  
you can. It is all talk."

"Then in what way does the Soviet  
desire to assist this country if not with  
financial help and the propaganda of her  
policy?"

"We want to assist China as one  
independent nation wants naturally to  
assist another. We are free and we want  
to see China free. Is not that natural?"

#### A POSER.

"Well, if you admit that militarism  
and banditry is one of the big factors  
with unequal treaties in keeping China  
in the position you say she is, what pro-  
portion do you give militarism and to  
banditry as compared with the propor-  
tion of unrest you allocate to unequal  
treaties?"

Comrade Karakhan here again laugh-  
ed, and he is a charming man when he  
laughs. He declared he was not yet a  
calculating machine.

"It is not our business to fight here,"  
he stated. "We have fought in our own  
country and will fight again if necessary.  
We have shown that we are able to de-  
fend our interests against foreign  
aggression. Perhaps this is what is en-  
couraging the Chinese to fight. We have  
no objection to that."

"Then there is no Sovietism in  
China?"

Again Mr. Karakhan laughed.  
[M. Karakhan seems to have enjoyed  
this interview. We should have laugh-  
ed also had we been present.—Ed.  
H.K.D.P.]

(Continued on next Column.)

## COLLECTING THE BETTING TAX.

DECISION REACHED BY  
BOOKMAKERS.

#### A TAX ON WINNINGS.

Credit bookmakers decided at a meet-  
ing of the Turf Guardian Society in  
London that the betting tax of 3 1/2  
per cent. on credit bets will in effect be a  
tax on winnings.

They passed the following resolution  
unanimously, after a discussion which was  
in parts divergent and heated: "Mem-  
bers of the Turf Guardian Society under-  
take to collect the proposed tax by charg-  
ing their clients 3 1/2 per cent. on gross win-  
nings and 3 1/2 per cent. on the stakes in-  
vested to produce those winnings."

Members as a whole declared that this  
proposal meant bookmakers paying some  
part of the tax themselves. Some pro-  
tested angrily that every other ad-  
valorem tax was passed on entirely to the  
consumer, but the general opinion was  
swung in favour of what was called a  
"sporting offer to the punter."

Other alternatives were ruled out.  
Shortening of the odds was declared  
impossible, while a detailed tax on every  
bet made was discounted as adding an  
extraordinary complexity to book-  
keeping.

#### A BASIS.

Mr. Crimp, of Messrs. Ladbroke and  
Co., Ltd., took as a basis an actual  
week's turnover of £48,863. The tax on  
this amount at 3 1/2 per cent. is £1,605. If  
the bookmaker charged his client 3 1/2  
per cent. on gross winnings only he would  
recover £1,091 of the tax, and have to  
make up £514 on the week. If he  
charged, as had been suggested, a flat  
5 per cent. on gross winnings he would  
recover £2,443—all but £151 of the tax.

On the latter suggestion, which was  
carried, Mr. Crimp calculated that a 3 1/2  
per cent. tax on both winnings and win-  
ning stakes would recoup the bookmaker  
by £1,551, and that he loss per week  
would therefore be £44. In other words,  
a bookmaker with this average weekly  
turnover will bear annually £23,500 of tax,  
sum, Mr. Crimp pointed out, far in  
excess of any suggested fee for a book-  
maker's licence.

The decision does not affect race-course  
bets, which are taxed at the reduced rate  
of 2 1/2 per cent.

"Do you see any sign of it?" he  
asked. "In Canton maybe! No! this  
is the usual, traditional accusation that  
the Soviet rules Canton. I asked my con-  
sul in Canton to investigate and report to  
me a single Soviet feature in the Canton  
Government and he was unable to report  
a single one, and no one has been able to  
give me a concrete example."

"Then the policy of Sovietising China  
has failed?"

No; we have not given a single penny  
to students for propaganda. Students  
go to Russia to study, but not at the  
expense of the Soviet Government. We  
have the intention of providing for  
students to go to Russia for study out  
of the Boxer Indemnity, just as other  
countries are doing at the present time."

#### CANTON'S MONEY.

"How do you account for the amount  
of money Canton has to expend on the  
present military campaign, and at a time  
when Canton is supposed to be without  
financial foundation of any great  
stability? Trade there is in a lament-  
able condition in many people's eyes and  
taxation has reached the limit, if all we  
hear from reliable sources is true."

"The reason is," replied Comrade  
Karakhan, "that the Canton govern-  
ment has managed to reorganise its  
finances and the revenues now come into  
the government exchequer instead of  
being grabbed by the militarists as is the  
case in other provinces. I must admit  
that the Canton Government has put its  
finances straight, but other than that  
Russia has had no hand in it. The re-  
organisation of the finances has resulted  
in some relief in taxation for the people  
and increased revenues for the govern-  
ment."

"But the military get the lion's share,  
do they not?"

"That is the business of the Canton  
Government. The revenues are received  
by the Ministry of Finance. If the mili-  
tary get a portion of this it is because the  
Canton Government has allocated that  
amount to them. The Russian experts  
can assist by their advice, but they have  
no power over the disposal of the  
revenue."

"At present I desire to go to Canton,  
but I am not sure that I shall be able to  
manage it. I am greatly interested in  
the political and economic situation there  
and I would like to see things on the  
spot. I am afraid, however, that cir-  
cumstances will not permit me to go at  
present."

## HUMOUR AND DESPAIR.

A VISIT TO A HONGKONG POLICE  
CHARGE ROOM.

#### AN INSPECTOR'S WORRIES.

"Hello, Inspector, anything doing to-  
night?" I asked as I strolled into the  
charge room of one of the City's Police  
Stations the other night. It is one of  
my usual calls when other folks are  
playing bridge, dancing or are comfort-  
able in the cinema. I am unfortunate in  
being a pressman.

"Not a thing," said the Inspector, a  
jovial Irishman, "not a blooming thing  
all night."

I remained and discussed various  
things, crime and the boycott, and the  
amenities and disadvantages of living  
in Hongkong. I always find conversa-  
tion with a police Inspector interesting.

#### "A Murderer."

Suddenly our conversation was rudely  
interrupted. A Shantung constable  
thrust a wisp of a man, a Chinese, into  
the charge-room. Two other Chinese  
followed. The little man's eyes blinked.  
He was unsteady on his feet.

One of the Chinese gesticulating  
wildly like a Frenchman in a rage  
poured out his story.

"Interpreter, what does he say," asked  
the Inspector.

"He says," said the interpreter, "that  
this man visited his father who is a  
tenant of the complainant. He got  
drunk and spat on somebody's hat. Com-  
plainant remonstrated, whereupon the  
defendant picked up a knife and threaten-  
ed to kill him."

"Look at him," thundered the Inspec-  
tor, "you are a big man, he is small.  
I don't believe he would kill a cock-  
roach. Interpret that to him, inter-  
preter."

The complainant was taken aback. The  
"truculent" little man grinned. Before  
his traducer could get another word in  
he rushed off his story. The big man  
was a liar and a coward. The little man  
admitted he had got merry, but then, he  
said, he visited his father occasionally. He  
was a coolie at the Supreme Court, and  
he was not the one to transgress the  
law.

He beamed on the Inspector when he  
saw him smile. He turned up his nose  
at the complainant.

It was soon finished. The complainant  
was told that if the little man disturbed  
him again he could charge him. The  
little man was lectured and told to re-  
main in the box for ten minutes. The  
complainant left, the little man sat on  
his haunches and held up his head with  
his hands. A few minutes only and he  
began sobbing, the sob increased to a  
howl, and the Shantung constable was  
told to let him go. At the doorway he  
turned and smiled. The little rogue!

#### Cracked Plates.

No sooner had he gone than a detec-  
tive brought in another coolie. A parcel  
which he carried was opened and was  
found to contain four cracked plates.

"He has a suspicious look," said the  
Inspector. I noticed that also.

The coolie said he had received them  
from a certain person in Kowloon. He  
gave the person's name and his telephone  
number. The telephone directory cor-  
roborated his story as to the existence of  
that person and the place where he lived.  
The person was called up, but there  
was no reply. When this was pointed  
out to the coolie, he said that his bene-  
factor was removing to another house  
next day.

"I'm afraid we'll have to keep you  
here tonight," said the Inspector.

The coolie then offered to be taken to  
the residence of the person he had men-  
tioned. This was agreed to, and the  
detective who had brought him accom-  
panied him. What happened to him I  
don't know.

#### A Family's Report.

I was preparing to leave when another  
Chinese accompanied by three women  
rushed in. They all began speaking at  
once, and it took a quarter of an hour  
before the comprehensive story could be  
got out of them.

The man's son had been knocked down  
by a cyclist. He was unconscious. Would  
they let him go to hospital? Oh, no,  
that was not necessary. He was not un-  
conscious then, he was a little better  
now. What the dickens did they want  
to do with the cyclist? Did they want  
compensation? No. Did they want him  
charged? Yes. Then the boy would have  
to be taken to hospital. They were  
taken aback and again a long argument  
ensued. How old was the boy? He was  
sixteen.

"Then," said the Inspector, "it is up  
to him whether he wants to go to hos-  
pital."

An order was given. Two detectives  
were soon out with a stretcher. The  
whole family rushed out with them. M.

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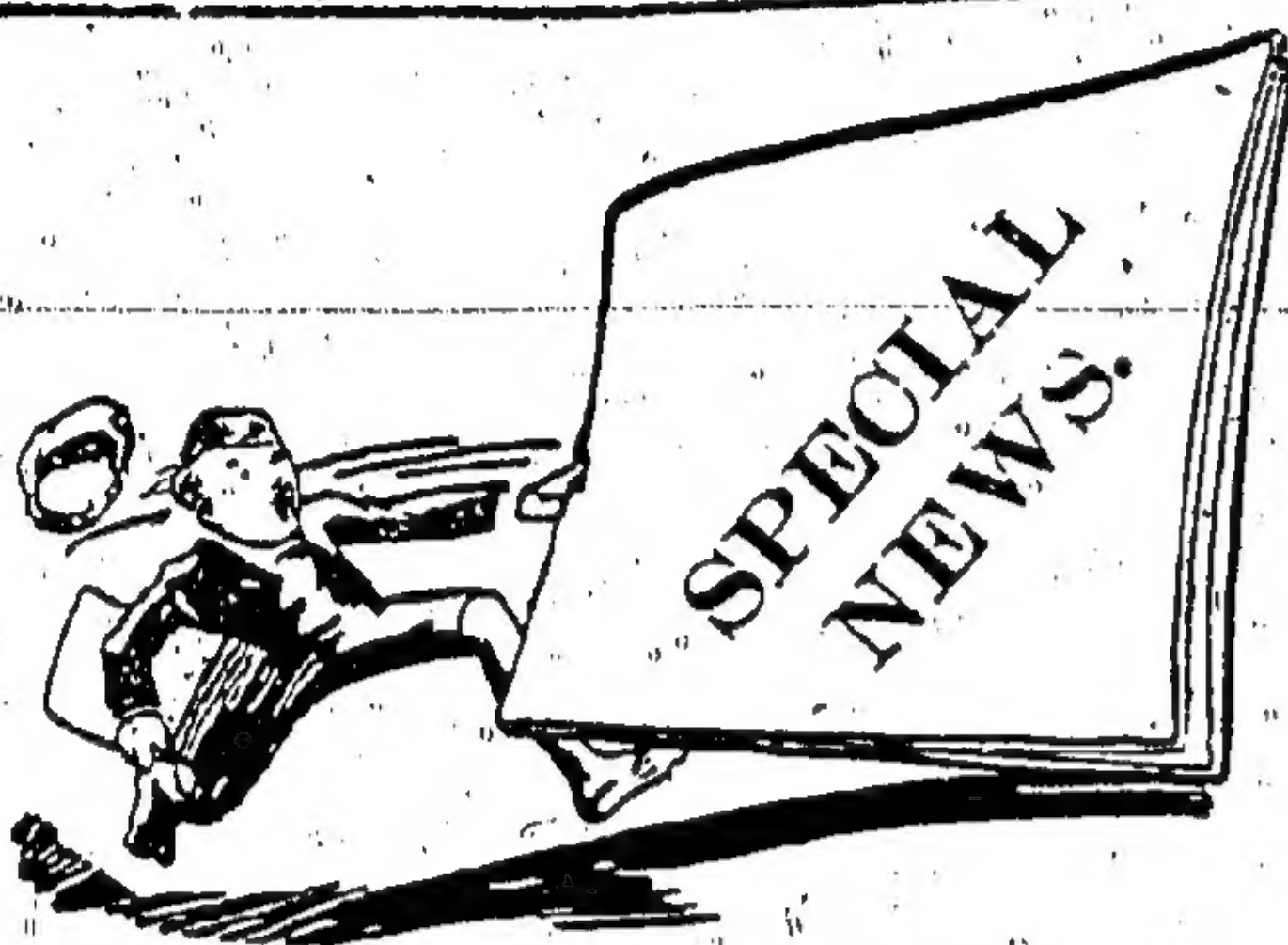
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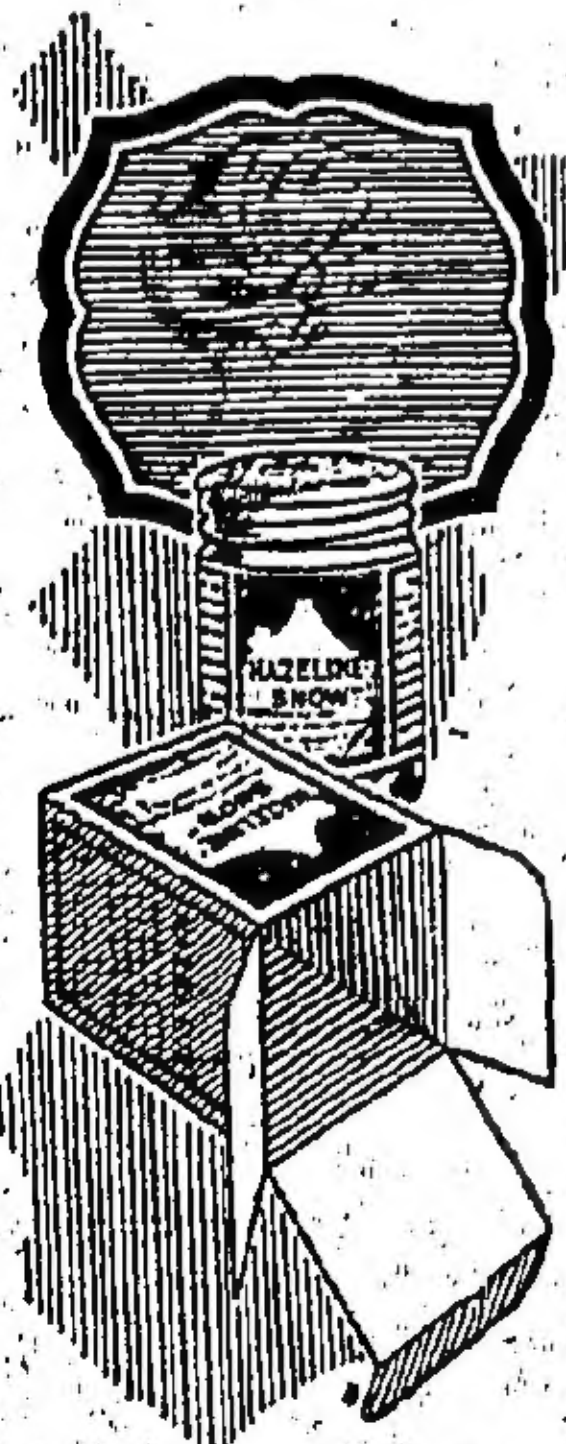
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MR. J. RAMSAY-MACDONALD'S  
EXPERIENCES.

### THE VERY GREAT PLEASURE IN HARD WORK.

A Home paper is publishing a series of articles entitled "What Life Has Taught Me." In the first of this series the Right Hon. J. Ramsay MacDonald, first Labour Prime Minister of Great Britain and the present Leader of the Opposition, tells of his experiences and disillusion. "Good predominates in life," he concludes, "even when it requires some seeking before it is found." He would be a strange man, writes Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who would say that life had taught him nothing, and he would certainly not be a wise one. Whatever other qualities we may possess or lack, we shall arrive nowhere without a capacity to learn from experience. I think it will be the general admission of those who try to estimate the result of their life experiences in terms of acquired wisdom that the results do not look sensational—they may even appear to be platitudinous. One of my experiences in life is that the sensational is the shoddy. I have seen sensational men and stunts rise and fust—and splutter out.

I anticipate some such criticism when I say that the chief thing that life has taught me is the very great pleasure of hard work. When I first came to London, I was fortunate enough to fall into the hands of a very hard taskmaster, who made life pretty miserable for some time, but I have never ceased to be grateful to him for the discipline he gave me and for the habit which I acquired under him of sticking hard at whatever I had to do.

Another lesson not unconnected with this is that you never can do good work unless your heart is in it. I once had a very fine illustration of this in the case of a man whom I met in the East. Up to a short time before I met him he had been a very unmythical person, and I asked him why he had turned over a new leaf. He told me he had been just working as a machine until something happened which made him understand that, as a result of his work, fires were kept blazing in other people's kitchens. From that time he worked with his heart as well as with his muscles. This is one of the most beneficial rules that one can adopt in life: if your heart is not in your work you will not do it well.

#### Sufficient Unto the Day.

In these days of universal discontent and unsettlement, we should all be better for remembering that sufficient unto the day is the good thereof. Life has certainly taught me that, in spite of many apparent prolonged exceptions. Lest this little bit of philosophy should be misunderstood by some sharp critic who would say: "Then why work for more?" I reply that experience of life shows us that the amount of good which can be done in character and in happiness is unlimited. The good of one day is a mere ante-chamber to the ample good of the next day and opens the way to it.

Life is not a thing of limitations, it is a thing of expansion. If I say sufficient unto the day is the good thereof, I do not say that it will be sufficient unto tomorrow. If pessimism and bitterness paralyze effort we must not allow our optimism to degenerate into complacency. Between the two extremes oscillate the ineffective figures of the world, and the wise and useful man is he who avoids them both.

#### Nothing for Nothing.

There is another thing which life has taught me which I doubt if people sufficiently appreciate, and that is that everything you have has to be paid for. That is true of the shilling in your pocket and the reputation you have in the world. The more success you attain the greater become your burdens. You never get through with life, you only get into it, and the further into it you get the more you love it; not because your leisure and your quiet and your self-complacency increase, but because, though your difficulties grow, they become more interesting to bear. Perhaps I should put it in this way: that your burdens get heavier, but they become nobler.

Life teaches us another very curious thing. Whatever your income is you can always spend it and you feel it inadequate. I have lived like a fighting-cock and saved money on 12s. 6d. a week in London. I have also, at odd times, had as much as 12s. 6d. an hour. The days cannot be compared, but they both had peculiar happiness and peculiar drawbacks. Human personality is an extraordinarily expensive thing, and at the same time a most extraordinary asset. Modesty is a thing. So far as my personal likes and dislikes go, I think I should be perfectly happy to go back to the 12s. 6d. per week, but then, of course, the rat of life would be much narrower and its walls much higher.

#### Some Shattered Illusions.

If life has taught me these things, has it taught me nothing, shattered no illusions, corrected no preconceived notions? That is not a claim I should be very satisfied to make, for it is no compliment to be told that we have changed in nothing and have discovered nothing. Life cannot teach the man who regards all its vicissitudes as serving no other purpose than the corroborations of his own theories and guesses. Consistency is not the same thing as stagnation, and youth never faces the world with a blank mind. We expect certain things and hope for them, and the world being what it is, life is full of disillusion, just as the day is full of bright and cloudy skies. It is wise, however, to take wide views of these matters and to see even disappointment and disillusionment in their right perspective. We must not treat delusions too lightly. A delusion is very often either a good which cannot yet be realized, or a way to good which (Continued on next Column.)

## LIKES AND DISLIKES.

WHY PEOPLE APPEAL OR REPEL.

[BY JOHN SLUNT.]

A Chinese who recently shot two Arabs in a Paris restaurant gave as his only explanation that he disliked Arabs. This, undoubtedly, was a grossly feeble excuse for such drastic behaviour, but I confess that I rather like his frankness in giving so inadequate—and therefore, probably, so truthful—a reason for his act.

Most of us try to clothe our likes or dislikes for people in elaborate explanations, but I suspect that, as often as not, we really like or dislike them according to the manner in which their personalities react on us.

It was, of course, very illogical in that Chinese to dislike the whole race of Arabs, but that sort of illogicality, applied to different races, is one of the commonest things. How often does one hear people say that they heartily dislike all the members of some particular race. Fortunately for society such dislike usually ends in words; otherwise, that Chinese would hardly be in the minority.

#### A Common Chord.

And as regards individuals, too, liking or disliking is often exceedingly illogical. We simply like people who appeal to us for some quality that strikes a common chord. We say we like them because they are kind or amusing or sympathetic, but the truth is that other people, who may be all these things at once, are quite liable only to irritate us.

Personality is unanalysable, and if we get down to bedrock, almost everything depends on the way in which another personality affects us. We may respect a man without feeling friendship for him; equally we may feel friendship for a man for whom we have a good deal of contempt.

But man has an inherent desire to explain to himself—to logicalise, so to speak—his own thoughts and actions, and few of us are honest enough to admit that our friendships or aversions are founded largely on instinct.

#### A Girl's Charm.

And, in a sense, it is very fortunate that this is so. If, as Shakespeare says, beauty is in the eyes of the beholder, so are all the other qualities that make one person appeal to another. I have often heard people declare that they could not understand why So-and-so should like So-and-so. The answer is, of course, that mutual attraction is a mysterious thing and that what you see in another person I may not see in the slightest. A may seem a plain, dull girl to B; whereas to C she may suggest the music of the spheres.—Daily Mail.

## GERMANY PAYS THE ALLIES.

YEAR'S BILL OF £28,000,000.

BERLIN, September 1st.  
Provisional figures for the second annuity year under the Dawes plan ending August 31st show that Germany delivered to the Agent-General for Reparation Payments £28,350,000. In addition Germany will pay in the course of September £2,250,000, which forms part of the second annuity, but is actually due after the end of the annuity year, thus bringing the total second annuity to nearly £31,000,000.

In the course of the year Germany delivered to the Allies goods of various kinds from coal to kitchen ranges, chemicals, dyestuffs, fertilisers, agricultural products, timber, sugar, and so forth worth £23,750,000.

The Army of Occupation and the furnishings to the armistice under the Rhine-land Agreement cost £4,400,000, and the restoration of Louvain library £105,000.

Total payments, to the Allies by the Agent-General amounted to £53,000,000.

can only be reached by further experimenting in ideas.

The large conceptions of life never change, such as the conception of service, of co-operative work, of the lifting up of masses. I have often been disappointed with both work and people, but not disappointed in the sense that one gets either cynical or faithless. At the end of the day one can survey many paths that have had to be trodden because they did not lead to the desired object, but, nevertheless, they had to be plodded before they were rejected. These explorations are neither lost time nor mistakes in the use of opportunities. They all belong to the plan. They mean that the person with ideas and ideals has to live in a world that is largely unknown and can yield up its truth only by experiment.

In a sentence, life teaches much to make one cynical, but more to preserve one from faithlessness. Good predominates in life—even when it requires some seeking before it is found.

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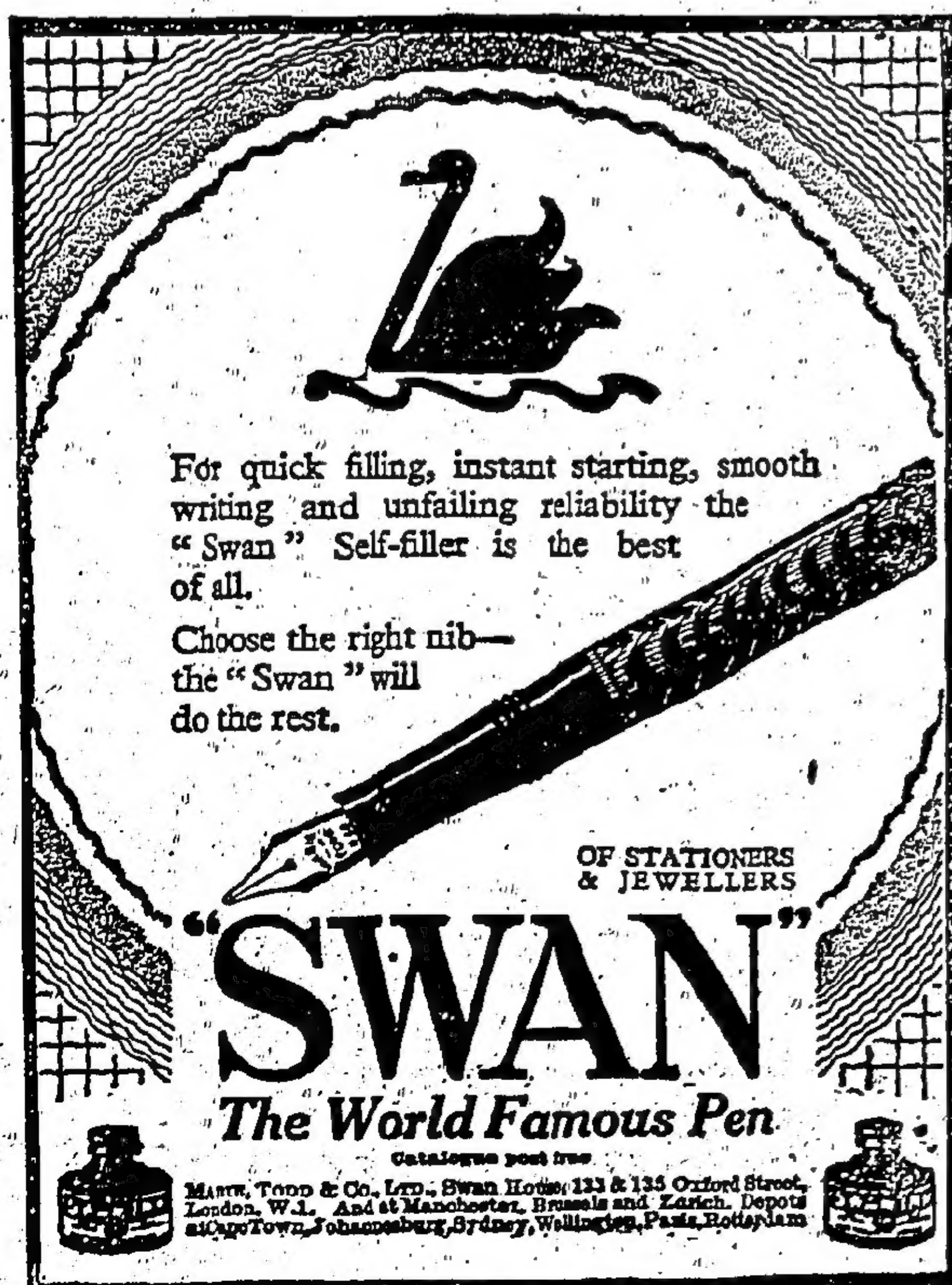
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**FOREIGN POWERS AND THE CIVIL WAR.**

**THE ATTITUDE THAT SHOULD BE TAKEN BY THE POWERS.**

A HONGKONG CHINESE VIEW.

[BY W.F.E.]

A Chinese correspondent resident in Hongkong, informed us that he had written an article entitled "Foreign Powers and the Civil War" giving what he regarded to be the Chinese point of view as to the attitude which the Powers should adopt. At his request we publish the article.

We are particularly anxious to obtain a clear statement of the Southern Chinese point of view but we are afraid our correspondent avoids the main issues. He denounces Wu Pei Fu and Sun Chuan Fang in the same way as these two generals would probably denounce Chiang Kai Shek. That does not help us. Great Britain has maintained strictly neutrality in the conflict between North and South. She has no wish to be drawn into the struggle on one side or the other and her greatest desire is that the Chinese should "decide for themselves" what form of Government "is good for them" then stick to it.

Our correspondent has first hand knowledge of Hongkong's administration and the trade relationship between this Colony and Canton. He must know that Great Britain has always been a good friend of China's. Why is it that the Southerners particularly are continually denouncing the British and endeavouring to inflict injury upon them. He does not touch upon this point. If that policy is to be pursued we should naturally hope that the Southern sphere of influence will not be extended. If Great Britain's friendship is valued why is not this policy stopped?

Our correspondent writes:—

The present Northern Expedition against Wu Pei Fu and Sun Chuan Fang has a fundamental difference from the previous civil wars between the Northern warlords. The struggle in the North in recent years were but the outcome of personal hatred and jealousy of the military chiefs towards each other, and degenerated as always is, the case into a scheme for selfish aggrandizement and the increase of power and territory to the victorious party. These war barons aided and abetted by certain foreign countries regard the conquered provinces as their own property and hold them under the might of their mercenary troops or usually bandits in uniform. As militarists of this category, Wu Pei Fu and Sun Chuan Fang are striking examples.

The Nationalist Government firmly believed in the idea of freeing the unfortunate people under the iron hand of these debauched militarists and sent an expeditionary army into Hupeh, Kiangsi for the sole purpose of driving out the much hated warlords and for the liberation of the people from the oppression of exploitation of these unscrupulous rulers. The Nationalist Government further desires that these people should be thoroughly acquainted with the three-party theory advocated by the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the abolition of the unequal treaties, and the necessity of a stable and efficient administration devoted entirely for their welfare. That the people in Hupeh, Kiangsi and other provinces are sick of their military overlords is demonstrated by their welcome to the Nationalist troops when they, after defeating the northern soldiers, entered Changsha, Hankow, Hanyang, and Nanking. Such statement is borne out even by the conservative foreign press in China, one of which says that the people in Hankow want the southern forces to remain there and abhor the return of Wu Pei Fu or reinforcements from the North. Now what is the significance of this attitude?

The answer lies in the fact that the present expedition against the Northern generals is not a military venture just for the purpose of expanding the power and influence of the Nationalist Government but a real struggle between modern China and medieval China; between defensive nationalism and imperialism, between patriotism and treachery, and

lastly between China as an independent sovereign country and a mere vassal state. When the issue is clear as in the present civil war, the Chinese people have no difficulty whatever in aligning themselves with the side that champions their cause. Nothing could change their mind.

It must be remembered that not every country having relations with China is an imperialist power. Even in such a country, there are no small number of citizens who denounce the exploitation of another country by force of arms or by undermining its progress in a hideous manner. To carry on trade with China, foreign countries must have found that the policy of the gunboat is an obstacle rather than a helpful implement. For them to win the goodwill and confidence of Nationalist China, what course of conduct should be adopted?

Throughout the present war, foreign countries having investments in this country declare their neutrality but maintain that the lives and property of their nationals must be protected by their gunboats. As a pretext of safeguarding their interest, these foreign warships actually interfere with the military plans and progress of the combatants. Up on the Yangtze river, the foreign warships have ignored the orders of the Nationalist army to clear away from the vicinity of Hankow in order not to hinder the movements of troops. Their refusal to depart is that when these gunboats and other men-of-war were removed, foreign citizens and interests would be exposed to great danger. If they really maintain a neutral attitude, no intentional harm will come to them. This alleged neutrality therefore must be substantiated by overt acts.

To demonstrate their genuine desire to give no favour to either side, the foreign countries should at least recognize the belligerency of the Southern Government. Such recognition is long over due in view of the fact that the Nationalist Government is a political and potential reality while the phantom one in Peking remains to be styled as a Government only on paper. What is good for China, let her people decide. If the Powers desire to carry on trade relations and friendly terms with modern China, their watchword is the comprehension of this changing phase in the national outlook.

**PLAIN LIVING TO KEEP FIT.**

**SIR GEORGE NEWMAN'S ADVICE.**

37,000 BABIES' LIVES SAVED YEARLY.

Sir George Newman, the Chief Medical Officer of the Ministry of Health, in his annual report, just issued, gives some valuable hints on how to keep well. He says:—

Advice is frequently sought as to the best method of preventing recurrent attacks of influenza. Vaccines have been tried without success. Throat gargling and nose washing have been recommended, but the experience of recent years tends rather to discredit these measures.

The sensible course is to pursue a regular, healthy life, avoiding excesses of all kinds, and taking as much outdoor exercise as circumstances will permit.

Later he gives the following rules for diet generally:—

The consumer should aim at variety in diet to ensure a supply of all essential constituents. Restrict as much as possible the use of "fractionated foods"—e.g., white flour and highly-milled rice.

Always include in some form or other milk and fresh green vegetables and some simple fruit such as oranges and apples. Let some of the daily food impact the element of freshness to the diet; salads of all kinds and raw fruits are excellent on this account.

The death-rate among infants under a year old was 76 per 1,000 born last year. In the period 1901-10 it was 123, which means that last year 37,000 babies lived who would have died if born under the conditions of 20 years ago.

Generally speaking, Sir George Newman considers that the nation is not taking full advantage of the improvement in knowledge.

Cancer is gaining ground; tuberculosis is too prevalent; pneumonia and influenza are undented; small-pox is preferred to vaccination; and ten thousand children died last year from measles and whooping cough—"childish maladies" in which death is preventable.

**Increase in Small-Pox.**

Much more could be done to prevent human sickness and death by the public health departments of local authorities, and Sir George is very severe on the lack of energy shown by some of these bodies. Especially is this the case in relation to small-pox, a disease which is increasing by leaps and bounds. From seven cases notified in 1917 the total had grown last year to 5,354, and even this had been passed in the first half of this year alone, 5,517 cases being notified by June 26th.

Several local authorities (he says) have defaulted in their duty in respect of small-pox. In one instance the authority did not even accept the notifications of small-pox certified to it by the medical practitioners.

Detailed statistics prove once again beyond doubt that the value of vaccination as a preventive of small-pox. The unvaccinated under 20 years of age who caught the disease outnumbered the vaccinated by 92 to one.

There is also a striking story told of Kettering workhouse during the height of the outbreak in that district. An able-bodied inmate who acted as general messenger and food carrier to different wards was found to have the disease. Every one of the 229 inmates and staff was immediately vaccinated, and not another case of small-pox occurred among them.

**Our London Letter.**

**THE PASSION FOR UNDESSING.**

**"NAKED AND UNASHAMED."**

**GIRL BATHER FINED AT SOUTHEAST.**

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

London, September 4th.

It sounds a bit strange to learn that a young London girl has been fined £2 at Southend-on-Sea for bathing near that popular resort off the beach in the nude. She was with male companions who were clad as lightly as herself. The Bench made the comment that there seemed to be a loose state of things locally, for it seems that the incident is by no means uncommon. The newspapers have been making appropriate observations; but there seems to be a passion for undressing in these days, from Southend to the Lido, as the untravelled can see from the picture papers. You find it on the stage and in the streets as well as by the seaside. The question is where will it stop? The girl bather only went a bit further than others by being "naked and unashamed."

**Miss Christabel Pankhurst.**

It is very curious sometimes to observe how people who were at one period prominently before the public drop out of sight, and then when they are well-nigh forgotten we find them reappearing in a new and unexpected guise. When the Suffragist movement was at its height there were few women in England whose names were so familiar as that of Miss Christabel Pankhurst, who was to the fore with her slogan "Votes for Women." Then the women got the vote, and Miss Pankhurst vanished. Now, she is announced as coming again on the scene as a fervent apostle of the Second Advent.

Having published several volumes forecasting the near approach of the Second Coming of Christ, Miss Pankhurst is going to begin an extended platform campaign under the auspices of the Advent Testimony and Preparation Movement, in the course of which she is to fulfil many engagements in this country. Her programme includes a tour of the big provincial cities, ending with a meeting in London on November 2nd at Queen's Hall. One does not wish to be unkind, but I think the lady is a "back number" as a leader of opinion.

**A More Effective Lord's Prayer.**

The booksellers are showing prospective buyers a new version of the Bible which has been published by a Scottish professor of Church history, Dr. James Moffatt. But I gather that those who purchase the book will do so for the same reason that they would buy anything odd as a curiosity. Why anybody who is familiar with the English language should be insensitive to the beauty of the Authorised Version of the Bible and to the rhythmic appeal of the Book of Common Prayer, seems very remarkable, but there is the fact.

Dr. Moffatt's new translation of the Bible includes a "more effective" Lord's Prayer. "Hallowed be Thy name" be-  
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**HEALTH OF EASTERN PORTS.**

**BULLETIN WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 25TH.**

PLAGUE.  
6 cases at Rangoon.  
CHOLERA.  
7 cases at Calcutta.  
3 cases at Madras.  
3 cases at Bangkok.  
48 cases at Amoy.  
31 cases at Shanghai.  
SMALL-POX.  
3 cases at Calcutta.  
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3 cases at Colombo.  
7 cases at Bangkok.  
2 cases at Negapatam.

comes for no conceivable reason "Thy name be revered," and "Give us this day our daily bread" becomes "Give us this day our bread for tomorrow," which seems in direct opposition to the charge to "take no thought for the morrow," and in any case is merely an alteration in the text for the worse.

A more unnecessary labour than Dr. Moffatt's I cannot conceive. As a piece of English literature the Bible is one of our most precious heirlooms. As a religious solace and guide to countless millions in all parts of the earth it gains by long usage in the same form.

**Japan's Surplus Population.**

The announcement cabled from Tokyo and published in London as a statement issued by the Japanese Foreign Office to the effect that as the white men's countries do not want Japanese emigrants, Japan will settle them herself, has been received with a surprisingly small amount of comment. The consequences of such action in Japan's relations with the rest of the world is fully appreciated if in fact the declared intention is translated into deeds. The following paragraph from this week's issue of *Truth* perhaps expresses the average opinion of Englishmen here on the subject, the famous weekly describing the statement as "statesmanlike and dignified":—

"Overcrowded as her main islands are, carrying a population of 55 millions on almost the same territorial area as the United Kingdom, there is plenty of room in the recently-acquired island of Formosa, and the earth-quake plains of Hokkaido. Korea, too, is rapidly becoming wholly Japanese. If Japan is sincere in this new policy—and there is no reason to doubt it—the 'Yellow Peril' will be laid by the heels and the naval strategists who talk so fluently about the Pacific zone as the scene of the next great war will have to transfer their armadas elsewhere—but where I do not quite know."

**The New "Daily Herald" Editor.**

Fleet Street is interested to learn that Mr. Hamilton Fyfe's successor as editor of the *Daily Herald* is Mr. William Mellor, who is an able and experienced journalist, who has been the news editor of the paper for a number of years. Formerly he was very prominent in connection with Guild Socialism crusade, and was a member of the little group which ran the *Herald* when it was the weekly organ of Mr. George Lansbury and his fellow "Reds." When the journal became a daily Mr. Mellor was put in charge of the labour and industrial news. It may be supposed that the *Herald* will not lack forcible expression of undiluted Labour opinion in the future—a gospel which is violently partisan and always narrow.—H.B.

**THE BOYCOTT AND THE TYPHOON.**

**HONGKONG AND CHINA HAVE FIGURED IN THE WORLD'S NEWS MORE LARGELY DURING THE PAST YEAR THAN EVER BEFORE.**

Every week now something seems to happen to give us a prominent place in the newspaper head lines.

This week there has been a buzz of excitement about the termination of the boycott—and, as if that were not sufficient, a typhoon came.

The HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS, therefore, published to-day is full of happenings about which the people at Home will wish to read in detail.

It should be remembered that London has been informed that the boycott is ended. The WEEKLY will explain what the exact position is.

There are also many telegrams and articles from the North which show the progress of military operations.

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## NO INSINCERITY.

REASON FOR DELAY IN ENDING  
BOYCOTT.

## ARRANGEMENTS INCOMPLETE.

CANTON HEARS OF SERIOUS  
REVERSES.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Chinese believe that the delay of the Kuomintang in terminating the boycott is simply due to incomplete arrangements. They discount any suggestion of insincerity on the part of the ruling party in Canton and it is considered that Mr. Eugene Chen will make his pronouncement on the subject as soon as he is able.

The Strike Committee are to make a new register of all strikers still idle. It is thought that when the registration is complete it will be found that the strikers will be much reduced in numbers and that there will be no necessity for maintaining so many free boarding houses as at present.

## The "Traffic in Generals."

The "buying and selling" of Generals still continues according to the rumours. The latest report is that General Li Fung Hsiang and General Chau Cheng, once "anti-Reds" in Fukien, are to join the Kuomintang one as a Corps Commander and the other as a division commander. General Fan Shek Shang, one time a commander in Canton, is to re-join the Kuomintang as a Corps Commander. The Kuomintang now has 18 corps commanders with General Li Fung Hsiang commanding the 16th, and General Fan Shek Shang, the 17th. Since the commencement of the Northern Expedition, the Kuomintang has bought nine or ten corps commanders. General Liu Tso Lin, who sold Wu Pei Fu and joined the "Reds" carrying Hanyang with him, is reported to have returned to the command of Marshal Wu Pei Fu, explaining that he surrendered Hanyang and his command simply to preserve the place and his men intact and that he had no intention of remaining permanently a "Red."

## War News.

On the night of September 29th some 3,000 Whampoa cadets were rushed from Canton to the "front" by way of the Kwangtung section of the Canton-Hankow railway.

Canton hears that Pingsiang and Tungcheng have been retaken by "anti-Reds" sent by General Sun Chuan Fang of Kiangsu and Chekiang.

When news came from the "front" on September 29th, that many Kuomintang troops had been killed or wounded at the latest battle of Liling, the General Headquarters at Canton decided, it is understood to withhold reinforcements from Southern Kwangtung and to send more men to Hunan and Kiangsi.

According to a Swatow report, the Kuomintang have been able to dispose of some \$2,865,000 worth of war bonds in the Chao-mei districts of Eastern Kwangtung.

## Various Items.

Kuomintang authorities in Canton explain that the threatened strike on the part of workers in the Kwangtung Arsenal at Shekcheng the other day was due to fear the Kuomintang would pay part of the men's wages in war bonds. The Kwangtung Arsenal is now working as usual.

The latest union organised in Canton City is that of the Bank Clerks. Its office was formally organized last Saturday. The Canton bankers may expect to receive a request for higher wages from their employees within a short time.

Mr. T. V. Soong, Kuomintang Minister of Finance, is asking the four leading commercial guilds in Canton to purchase a further \$650,000 worth of war bonds. The four guilds have contributed \$350,000, and Mr. Soong is asking them to make the guilds' total subscription \$1,000,000.

## PICKETS ON THE BORDER.

PASSENGERS STILL BEING  
SEARCHED AT LOWU.

The pickets did not leave the border at Shumchun on Thursday as reported earlier.

The No. 1 in charge of the pickets informed the detective of the Assistant Superintendent of Police (New Territories) that he is waiting for fresh instructions from Canton and that the pickets will be withdrawn by the 10th of October at the latest.

Two pickets were on duty at Lowu on Thursday afternoon and again yesterday morning. They have been searching goods and passengers as before. No pickets have been seen elsewhere on the frontier.

## U.S.A. MINISTER AT CANTON.

## DINNER GIVEN BY MADAME SUN.

## A PARTY ENJOYED BY ALL.

Madame Sun Yat Sen gave an informal dinner to the visiting American Minister, Mr. J. V. A. MacMurray, and his party, at Mr. T. V. Soong's residence on Sunday evening.

Among the American guests present besides Mr. and Mrs. MacMurray were Mr. and Mrs. Willy Peck, Consul-General and Mrs. Jenkins, Captain Moses and Captain Mayfield, and Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Tyson.

The members of the Government at the dinner included Mr. Chang Ching Kiang, Acting Chairman of the Central Executive Committee, Mr. Tan Yen Kai, Chairman of the Nationalist Government, Dr. George Hau Chien, Mr. Eugene Chen and T. V. Soong. There were also present Mrs. H. H. Kung and Miss Mayling Soong, sister of Madame Sun. Much cordiality marked the occasion which was enjoyed by all.—Canton Gazette.

## POSTAL THEFTS.

## TEMPTED BY CINEMA PICTURES.

## PLEA FOR LENIENCY SUCCEEDS.

The case in which two clerks at the Post Office were charged with the theft of postal packets concluded before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy on Thursday.

Mr. D. McCallum, who appeared for the Chinese defendant, said that in spite of a message sent to Macao the defendant had not returned, and he would therefore leave the matter in his Worship's hands. The bail of \$100 was exonerated.

On behalf of the Indian defendant, Mr. Lee D'Almada made a strong plea for leniency by pointing out that the defendant was young and was tempted to take the packets which contained pictures of cinema stars. Defendant, he said, had been dismissed from the service, had been disgraced, and it would be difficult for him to obtain employment in the future. In conclusion he asked his Worship not to send defendant to prison for what was after all a youthful offence.

Addressing the defendant, his Worship said defendant had done a stupid thing, but he would be let off this time. He hoped it would not occur again. Defendant was bound over in a sum of \$100 to come up for judgment when called upon.

## A ROGUE'S MISTAKE.

GAVE CORRECT NAME TO  
"PAWNBROKER."

A three years' old police record sheet was produced before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday to prove that a Chinese youth had been given nine strokes with a cane for a larceny offence.

Defendant, who had now passed the age limit, was sentenced to four weeks' hard labour this time for stealing a watch and chain valued at \$4.

Divisional Inspector Blackman mentioned that in paying the articles defendant gave his proper name, and this led to his arrest.

A sum of \$2 was found on defendant when he was arrested. His Worship ordered this money to be returned to the complainant to help him to redeem his property.

## TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

## NEW TERM BEGUN YESTERDAY.

The new term of the Hongkong Technical Institute opened yesterday. Mr. E. Ralphs is a director and the following are the lecturers:—

## Hongkong.

Engineering Section.—Building construction, Mr. R. J. B. Clark, A.R.I.B.A.; electrical engineering, Mr. I. Day, A.M.I.E.E.

Science Section.—Mathematics, Mr. M. G. O'Connor, B.A.; chemistry, practical and theoretical, Mr. H. G. Wallington, B.A.; physics, Mr. J. Ralston, M.A.

Commerce Section.—English I, Mr. A. White; English II, Mr. H. G. Wallington, B.A.; shorthand, Mr. D. Young; book-keeping, Mr. E. J. Edwards; translation, Mr. Lo Kam Chak.

Teachers' Classes.—Women, Miss K. M. Anderson and Miss G. M. Cotton; men, Mr. J. Ralston, M.A., Mr. E. J. Edwards, Mr. A. T. Hamilton; vernacular, Mr. Ng Fung Chau (Supervisor), Mr. Ho Wai Ko, Mr. Pak Chik Po, Mr. Lin Hoi Tung, Mr. Leung Cheuk U, Mr. Ng Pak Keung, Mr. Kung Hon, Mr. Li Lun Kwai and Mr. Tui Pak Yuet.

Hygiene.—Mrs. E. M. Minett, M.D., D.P.H.

## Kowloon.

Mathematics.—Mr. W. G. O'Connor, B.A.

Chemistry (practical and theoretical).—Mr. T. R. Rowell, B.Sc., Dip. Ed.

Physics.—Mr. T. R. Rowell.

Cookery.—Mrs. J. Cooper, Dip. Cookery.

French.—Miss F. E. Ritson, B.A.

Shorthand.—Mr. T. F. O'Sullivan, F.P.S., P.C.T.

## TYPHOON DAMAGE.

DESTITUTE CREW REACH  
HONGKONG.

## GAP ROCK'S THRILLING ORDEAL.

Further reports of the toll of the typhoon were received yesterday. Late on Thursday evening a heartrending story of hardship was reported at the Harbour Office by the refugees of four junk which were blown off Kit Shek in the Fukien district. They were blown into the open sea and drifted for several days. The condition of the fisherfolk was pitiable. They were sent to the Kwong Wah Hospital where they were clothed and fed until such arrangements have been made to send them back to their native provinces.

## Waves Over Lighthouse.

Gap Rock, situate thirty miles south of Hongkong, its only inhabitants being the European lighthouse keepers and their staffs, received almost the full violence of the typhoon.

## More Lives Lost at Macao.

From Macao comes the news that a junk heavily laden with cargo, and with seventy passengers aboard, arrived off Lappa last Sunday evening too late to pass the Customs' examination, and on the following morning she was struck by the typhoon whilst lying at anchor. The junk foundered on the spot, and of the passengers only about fifteen were saved. From Sheklung it is reported that the typhoon did very considerable damage to houses and other property. Two huge trees more than fifty years old were uprooted and crashed on top of a house which was completely destroyed.

On Sunday evening the sea was lashed into a boiling ferment by the squalls which presaged the approach of the typhoon, but the wild night was but a mild indication of what was to follow. In the early morning the storm broke in its full violence, the vortex passing only a few miles to the South.

Tremendous waves, best ceaselessly all round the rock, the spray shooting hundreds of feet into the air. Waves broke clean over the top of the lighthouse, the light of which is 140 feet above high water level, and with such force that, one by one, eight of the lenses were smashed. The lenses are half an inch thick.

Huge doors, necessary to such an exposed lighthouse, were forced in by the combined action of the wind and waves, the quarters were completely flooded, and seawater got into the machinery of the light, causing it to work erratically. Coping stones were washed completely away, and a newly erected steel jib was twisted amazingly.

It was reported yesterday that many corpses have been washed ashore at Gap Rock.

## THE WEATHER.

YESTERDAY'S OBSERVATORY  
REPORTS.

The report of the Royal Observatory issued yesterday morning stated that pressure had decreased considerably over central Japan. It had increased slightly from Chefoo to Hongkong and was nearly stationary over the Philippines.

The typhoon entered the coast to the north of Hainan on Thursday evening. An anti-cyclone had formed over China. Moderate to fresh monsoon might be expected along the coast of China and over the North China Sea.

Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. yesterday, 2.40 inches. Total to date, 93.23 inches, against an average of 78.87 inches.

## Last Evening's Report.

The weather report, forecast, and remarks, issued from the Royal Observatory at 5 o'clock last night, stated:—

The anti-cyclone over China has strengthened. A trough of low pressure extends from Indo-China to east of Luzon.

Local forecast:—East winds, moderate, cloudy, occasional rain.

## QUARREL ON A 'BUS.

COMPENSATION FOR CHINESE  
LABOURER.

The case was concluded at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, before Mr. J. H. E. Nibhill, in which Capt. W. E. Weston, of the s.s. *Ling Nam*, and Mr. T. S. Jeffrey summoned a Chinese telephone labourer for assault alleged to have taken place on a 'bus at Kowloon. The telephone labourer cross-summoned Capt. Weston and Mr. Jeffrey separately, for a similar offence.

Mr. J. A. Gordon Leask appeared for Capt. Weston and Mr. Jeffrey and Mr. Lee D'Almada for the Chinese.

The case against the labourer was not proved. That against Mr. Jeffrey was also not proved.

An Indian constable gave evidence that he saw Capt. Weston strike the labourer first who then retaliated. His Worship did not consider the case serious, but ordered Capt. Weston to pay \$10 compensation to the labourer for the time wasted in attending Court.

## "THE BLACK PIRATE."

ACTION, ADVENTURE AND  
ROMANCEDOUGLAS FAIRBANKS' GREAT  
PICTURE AT THE QUEEN'S.

"The Black Pirate," the great picture which opened at the Queen's Theatre last night, is assured of a long run in the Colony. It is perhaps the greatest picture ever screened here, and assuredly it is the finest sea picture ever filmed. Hongkong cinema enthusiasts have recently seen "Captain Blood" and the "Sea Hawk," both marvellous pictures, but in comparison with "The Black Pirate" they are both poor. This is perhaps due to Douglas Fairbanks' superb acting.

Douglas Fairbanks is not only an enthusiast for detail and precision, but he insists on having his way even down to the most minute matters of period correctness. His fighting ships have been rebuilt from actual models of famous pirate vessels. And moreover Fairbanks has never acted better than in this production.

## "A Coloured Wonder."

Colourful, literally as well as figuratively, is the only word which correctly describes the production, for it is not only a rollicking, thrilling, romantic tale of adventure and piracy, but it has been filmed entirely in natural colour. Not only do the picturesque costumes, elaborately ornamented vessels and beautiful backgrounds make it an ideal story for colour photography, but it has been handled so expertly that story and colour go hand and hand, supplementing but never obtruding on each other. There are innumerable scenes that are strikingly beautiful, and scenes that are magnificent studies in the blending of colour, pose and characterisation, suggesting the works of great painters with the added effect that they are vibrant with life. From the colour standpoint alone, the picture is well worth seeing and will amply reward all who see it. This, however, is but one angle of the excellent audience values, which embrace star, "stunts" and story.

## The Story.

The role of the Black Pirate is a typical Fairbanks' role. There is no dearth of opportunity for him to use to distinct advantage his dashing personality and superbly athletic physique, but also plentiful chances for more repressed action, the role calling for the matching of wits as well as the employment of spectacular stunts, and Fairbanks measures fully up to all requirements.

The picture opens with the capture of a ship by pirates who, after looting it bind the crew and blow up the ship. The only survivors are Douglas and his father, who dies soon after. Vowing vengeance, Douglas joins the pirate crew who come ashore to hide their treasure. By defeating their leader in a duel taken on probation he proves his prowess by capturing a merchant ship single-handed, and finds a girl on board. He uses his wits to save her by holding her as hostage while sending emissaries to demand ransom. Douglas, now known as the Black Pirate, seeks to take her ashore, but is caught and forced to walk the plank. Escaping to the shore, he returns with a boatload of picked men. The pirates apparently sink this galleon, but in reality the crew has scuttled the ship and swimming under water Douglas and his men swarm up the sides of the pirate vessel and capture it. It develops that the Black Pirate is really a Spanish duke, and publicly offering his hand in marriage, the princess accepts.

A representative of the *Daily Press* was privileged to see the film before it was shown to the public, and we can safely assure local cinema-goers that a visit to the Queen's will be amply repaid. Throughout the performances yesterday there were packed houses, and it is certain that as long as the picture is screened here, capacity houses will be a feature at the Queen's.

The public are requested to book early.

## ITALIAN OPERA.

AT THE THEATRE ROYAL NEXT  
WEEK.

Signor A. Carpi, of the Carpi Italian Grand Opera Company, arrived in Hongkong on Thursday from Manila, and has arranged for the Company to open a ten-day season at the Theatre Royal on Wednesday, October 6th.

The leading soloists include Signas. Aida Gumbini (soprano dramatic), Marie Henkina (colatura soprano), Lena Ambrosio (soprano), Marg. De Carlosio (lyric soprano), Guiseppina Ciampaglia (mezzo soprano), Ines Bollardi, Aida Ballerini (mezzo soprano), Adolfo Bellotti (lyric tenor), Vincenzo Artino (tenor), Antonio Catalano (assistant maestro) and Violeto Scamuzzi, who will be remembered for his wonderful voice and dramatic ability.

Maestro Antoni, who is from the San Carlo Theatre, Naples, is a conductor of outstanding merit, and his assistant is Antonio Catalano.

The Company's repertoire is a long one, including some of the operas which, owing to the costly settings required, are seldom taken on long tours. Among these may be mentioned "Madama Butterfly," "Faust," "Mignon," "La Tosca," "La Boheme," "Carmen," "Calaveria Rusticana" and "Biglietto."

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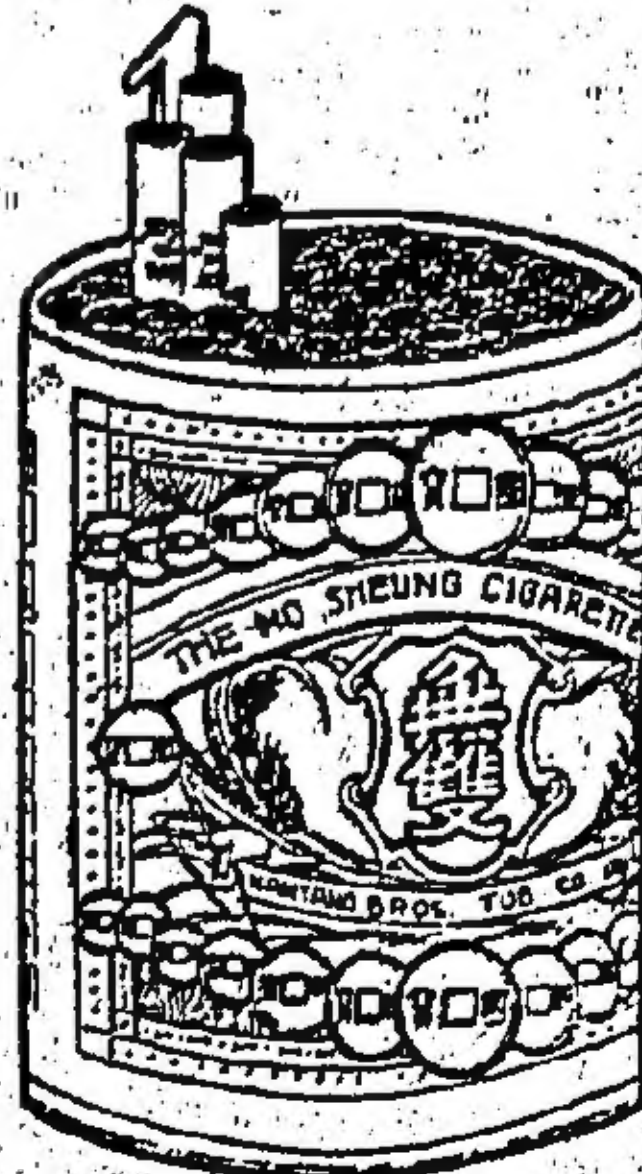
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Chinese market gardeners use manure from human sources and their custom is to pour the manure or spray it from watering-pots in liquid form over the growing plants.

Disease-producing parasites are therefore possibly present on the surface of plants, e.g., lettuce, over which the gardeners' spray falls.

J. WATSON,  
Secretary,  
SANITARY BOARD.  
October 2nd, 1926. [4013]

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Hongkong, 1st October, 1926. [4017]

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[4012]

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## NOTICE.

A MEETING of the CREDITORS of the Company will be held on the 15th DAY of OCTOBER, 1926, at 11 o'clock in the afternoon, pursuant to the provisions of Section 181 of the Companies Ordinance, 1911.  
At this Meeting the Creditors will be asked to determine whether an Application shall be made to the Court for the appointment of any Person as Liquidator in the place of or jointly with myself, the Liquidator appointed by the Company, or for the appointment of a Committee of Inspection.

JAS. STEWART,  
Liquidator.  
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[4015]

## NOTICE.

HONGKONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

THE Institute will RE-OPEN on MONDAY, OCTOBER 4th. Students joining Classes held at QUEEN'S COLLEGE will be Enrolled at the Education Department only; Those joining Classes held at the CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL, Kowloon, may be Enrolled at that School.

Entry Forms may be obtained at the Education Department or the CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL.  
Hongkong, 1st October, 1926. [4009]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN THE GOODS OF SIR CATCHICK PAUL CHATER, KNIGHT, C.M.G., DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of Section 48 of the Probates Ordinance, 1897 (No. 2 of 1897), made an Order Limiting the Time for Sending in Claims to or Against the above Estate to the 25th DAY of OCTOBER, 1926. Creditors and Claimants are hereby Required to Send their Claims to the Undersigned by the above Date.

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LINSTED & DAVIS,  
Chartered Accountants,  
Hongkong, 30th September, 1926. [4004]

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (Weather permitting) at HARRY TAYLOR on SATURDAY 9th OCTOBER, 1926, commencing at 3.15 P.M. The First Race will be Run at 3.45 P.M. The Charge for Admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.00 for all Persons including Ladies, Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform—Half Price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain Admission to the Members' Enclosure.

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## THE SETTLEMENT.

It is interesting to speculate on the numerous reasons that have been put forward to explain the complete volte face of the Canton Government in officially declaring that the boycott would be terminated. In the first place the scepticism created and the belief that the announcement was merely another subterfuge meant to conceal some new method of attack, is in no way a complement to the reputation of the Canton Government. The first essential to a government that functions is that its statements should be immediately respected, and its promises honoured. If it is the object of the Canton Government to aim at such international respect, the declaration to end the boycott will be followed by effective measures to carry out its declared intention. Failure to adopt such measures will either be due to the fact that it is not master in its own domain and therefore has no claim to the name of government, or else it will be due to further connivance with the pickets in which case the suspicion of those most interested will be more than justified. It is possible, however, to accept the view that the Canton Government means what it says and that it fully intends to assert itself on the tide of international law and order.

It may have arrived at this decision after reviewing its position in regard to other nations during the past year. It needs but an elementary knowledge to realise that internationally China, to-day, is held in lower esteem by the foreign Powers, than has been the case during the past twenty years. It may therefore be that an attempt is to be made to

retrace her steps from a position which is now recognised as no longer tenable with honour. The realisation has perhaps come that the way to salvation does not lie in vilifying and abusing foreigners who are not even remotely the cause of the present chaotic conditions prevailing in the country.

Such would be the most hopeful view to take of the change recently announced. Chinese residents abroad must be keeping the Chinese at home informed of the deplorable effect that the present policy is having on foreign opinion and the necessity of a re-orientation of that policy. The force of international feeling is not fully recognised in these matters. GILBERT MURRAY once stated in an address that when Poland acted in a high handed manner and was ordered to state her case before the League of Nations, her representative realised the hopelessness of his cause when pleading before this impartial tribunal, and for very shame's sake he was compelled to advise his government that she had no case to back her claims. If the boycott question could have been submitted to the same body a similar conclusion would have been arrived at a year ago for there never has been a just case for Canton's attitude towards Hongkong.

It is kinder to assume that the injustice of the situation has at length been recognised than to attribute the change to the approach of the British Fleet or to the fact that the financial strain for the Chinese has reached breaking point. The boycott is a two edged weapon that cuts the hands of those who use it as well as inflicting injuries on the victim for whom it is solely intended. It is the instrument of passion not of reason. Once it has been put aside the memory of the losses and suffering endured will cause those who have a grievance to hesitate long before utilising a weapon which has worked such havoc on those who are seeking satisfaction for imaginary wrongs.

The Cable Companies announce that normal working with Shanghai and beyond has been re-established.

Mr. G. Bolsius has been appointed Vice-Consul attached to the Consulate-General for Belgium in Hongkong.

A picked detachment of 24 from the Scottish Company, H.K.V.D.C., will meet the King's Own Scottish Borderers on their arrival in Hongkong.

A Chinese admitted into the Government Civil Hospital on Thursday suffering from scalds receiving when a pot of congee to which he was attending became upset.

The deportee, who is held on a charge of murder on board the s.s. *Talamba* was committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

A Chinese contractor living at No. 37, Queen's Road East, second floor, has reported to the police the theft of a leather bag containing his clothing valued at \$91.

Those intending to attend the farewell dinner of the *Et. Gloria* Lodge, No. 5872, R.A.O.B., are reminded that it takes place this evening at eight o'clock at the Royal Naval Theatre.

A leakage of gasoline in the engine caused a fire to break out aboard the motor-boat *Lee Kuen* at 8.45 yesterday morning. The oil burnt itself out and very little damage was done to the boat.

Passengers arriving from London by the P. & O. liner *Khyber* were Rev. and Mrs. E. Short, Mr. F. K. Ewart, Miss W. Suckling, Mr. W. J. White, Mrs. D. W. Phillips, Miss F. T. Greig and Mr. G. Hargreaves.

It has been found impracticable to continue the weekly launch trips to Stonecutters Island, under the auspices of the Eamma Club, owing to the extensive damage caused by the storm this week at the bathing beach.

Passengers arriving from the North by the P. & O. liner *Kashgar* included Mr. W. Seiffer, Mr. M. Gavin, Miss L. E. Wilson, Mr. W. E. Costain, Mr. J. Cockin, Capt. G. E. Swinton, Mr. H. H. Læzham and Mr. C. S. Paget.

## THE "KAU SING."

SETS OUT ON RESCUE TRIP.

## TO SEARCH FOR SHIPWRECKED CHINESE.

The Government rescue tug, *Kau Sing*, which carried out some excellent work in the Harbour during the typhoon this week, left Hongkong in the early hours of this morning, at 4 o'clock to be precise, to carry out a search for any Chinese seamen and fishermen there may yet be left clinging to capsize and derelict junks which suffered from the effects of the typhoon.

The *Kau Sing's* cruise will extend over a radius of about 150 miles, and a particular look-out will be kept for any shipwrecked Chinese in the region of St. John's Island and to the South of Macao. The rescue tug is expected to be away from Hongkong until Sunday at least.

It is notable that the *Kau Sing* is a British Government vessel despatched to carry out rescue work in Chinese waters.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a week's formal remand was again applied for in the case of the Sai Kung launch murder and piracy. It was intimated that the prosecution would possibly be ready to proceed with the case at the next hearing.

Before the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday the master of a cargo junk was charged with being in unlawful possession of one blunderbuss, three muskets, one rifle, one catty of gun powder and 23 rounds' ammunition. The defendant pleaded guilty and a fine of \$100 was imposed. It stated that, with the exception of the rifle, all the weapons were unserviceable.

The forthcoming weddings are announced of Mr. Bernard Crowley, assistant, Butterfield & Swire, residing at No. 1, "Woodside," Quarry Bay, to Miss Augusta Crowley, of Staines, England; and Mr. Carlos Antonio Remedios, clerk, residing at No. 37, Granville Road, Kowloon, to Miss Eulalia Christina Sousa, residing at No. 534, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Two Home mails arrived yesterday. The P. & O. s.s. *Khyber* brought letter, paper and parcel mails from England and Europe in the morning, the combined total being 632. Of this number 147 bags of letters and papers were for Hongkong, 86 containing United Kingdom mail of September 2nd. The remainder of the mail was for Canton and other outports. The parcel mail from Home, amounted to 181 bags. A later arrival was the P. & O. s.s. *Kashgar* from Japan and Shanghai with 109 bags, included in which were 31 bags from the United Kingdom *via* Siberia, and 24 from the Continent *via* the same route.

## TRIOLETS.

(BEING AN IMPRESSION OF A REALLY HAPPY SATURDAY AFTERNOON.)

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It's close upon two!  
Who's won the toss? You?  
Oh we! That's all right.  
It's close upon two  
But I've time for a bite.

'Twas an off-break, I swear,  
But it came from the leg;  
On my pads it pitched square:  
'Twas an off-break, I swear,  
Yet, the truth to declare  
It removed my off peg.

'Twas an off-break, I swear,  
But it came from the leg.  
I pitched a straight ball,  
On the batsman's left toe.  
How our best hopes may fall,  
When I pitched that straight ball  
To my confident call  
The dashed umpire said "No!"  
I pitched a straight ball  
On the batsman's left toe.

This fellow can't bat,  
But I can't get him out!  
Each stroke's just a pat,  
This fellow can't bat,  
Who more lives than a cat  
He has got without doubt.  
This fellow can't bat,  
But I can't get him out.

Now was it my sight,  
Or the spin, or the sun?  
I followed its flight,  
Now was it my sight!  
I dropped it alright  
And the game . . . was not won!  
Now was it my sight,  
Or the spin, or the sun?

E. W. H.

## THE STRUGGLE ON THE YANGTSE.

## THE NORTHERNERS MARCHING STEADILY FORWARD.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, October 1st.

That the tide is beginning to turn against the Southerners with regard to the military situation in Hupeh and Kiangsi seems to be indicated by the latest telegrams from foreign sources now reaching Peking.

Hankow messenger dated September 29th, state that there is ample evidence that Sun Chuan Fang's troops are approaching Hankow from the North of the Yangtze. They have already reached Kwangchow, forty miles below Hankow.

Large bodies of Kiangsinites have been seen in the vicinity of Tayeh Lake, at which the Cantonese are stated to have pointed a severe reverse. Indications point to this force moving westward towards the Hankow-Canton line and thence from the northwest towards Wuchang.

The Southern military and civil authorities at Hankow appear to be much less optimistic with regard to the situation.

## SOUTHERN TROOPS "GETTING NERVOUS."

## RESERVES REPORTED FOR Kiangsi AND HUNAN.

SHANGHAI, October 1st.

A telegram from Hankow, dated September 30th states that the attacks on Southern forces reported from and down river point to extensive operations being in progress. Southern reverses are reported from Kiangsi and the Hunan front, and there are indications that the Southerners are getting nervous regarding their position. In Hankow the anti-British propaganda has not been noticed in the vernacular papers for some days.

## PEKING POLITICS.

## SURPRISING CHANGES IN THE CABINET.

DR. KOO AS PREMIER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, October 1st.

At this afternoon's Cabinet meeting it was decided that Dr. Wellington Koo should relinquish the portfolio of Finance and overtake the Waichiaoou from Admiral Tsai Ting Kan, whose resignation has been accepted and, simultaneously, take charge of the Premiership, Tu Hsi Kuei remaining in the Cabinet as Navy Minister.

It is not yet settled who shall succeed Koo as Finance Minister.



**SENSATIONAL THEFT  
OF CHINESE BONDS.**

VALUED AT FR. 2,000,000.

BEING DESPATCHED TO A  
HONGKONG BANK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, October 1st.  
A case containing 1,500 Chinese Loan Bonds, valued at £15,000 sterling, was stolen from a van in the Avenue De Loper during the absence of the driver. It is understood that the numbers of the missing securities have been telegraphed to banks in London and other centres, where they may be offered for sale.

Being Despatched to a Hongkong Bank.

LATER.

The stolen Chinese securities, mentioned earlier, are valued at two million francs and were en route to the Gare St. Lazare for despatch to a Hongkong bank.

The case was discovered missing when the van arrived at the station. Fortunately, the securities cannot be disposed of in France.

**SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.**

SECRETARY APPOINTED.

SHANGHAI, September 30th.

Mr. S. M. Edwards, who has been Acting Secretary to the Shanghai Municipal Council since April 1st, has been appointed Secretary.

**SOLARIO DEFEATED AND  
DISQUALIFIED.**

A NEWMARKET SENSATION.

LONDON, September 30th.

At Newmarket, the Jockey Club Stakes provided a sensational race, the 20 to 1 chance Fox Law defeating its stable companion Solario, the favourite at 30 to 100, by a neck, with Foliation, at 7 to 1 third.

There was an objection to the winner and the second by the rider of Foliation, which resulted in Solario being disqualified. The objection to Fox Law was over-ruled.

This is Solario's first defeat since it finished fourth to Manna in the 1925 Derby. It won the St. Leger readily enough, decisively turning the tables on its Epsom conqueror. Its performances this year, show it is the greatest four-year-old in the country, and it was expected that to-day's race would be Solario's last, but it is understood that in view of the defeat, he will not retire to stud immediately but will be engaged in the Champion Stakes and the Jockey Club Cup to be run at Newmarket on October 12th and October 28th, respectively.

**EUROPEAN STEEL.**

BIG COMBINE NOW FORMED.

BRUSSELS, September 30th.

Representatives of Germany, France, Belgium and Luxembourg, interested in the proposed International Steel Combine, have granted the Belgian demand of a 295,000 tons monthly production quota instead of 285,000 tons as originally proposed. The Combine's gross production will amount to 27½ million tons annually.

LATER.

The Protocol regarding the European Steel combine was signed to-night and becomes effective on October 1st.

**FRANCE'S HOARDED GOLD.**

PARIS, September 30th.

The re-appearance of the item in the Banque of France balance sheet "Gold and Silver coins bought," showing that six million francs have been purchased in Paris alone, substantially reflects the scenes outside the Banque. There are daily lengthening queues exchanging hoarded coins, and a greatly augmented Banque staff is busy counting long un- seen cash that numerous bearers of gold are turned away nightly. There is a similar rush in the provinces, some cases having necessitated extra police to control the queues.

**RUM PIRATES.**SEQUEL TO AN ATTACK ON A  
SCHOONER.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

St. Augustine (Florida), Oct. 1st.

Federal agents have arrested twelve men as the result of an investigation into an attack on rum pirates on the schooner *Hazel Herman*, said to be British, thirty miles from Anastasia Light on August 9th.

It appears the pirates were in a powerful motor-boat and run alongside the schooner, which was reported to be carrying liquor, and attempted to go on board.

The pirates fire seriously wounded the captain and the cook of the schooner, whose return fire killed a pirate and seriously wounded another, whereupon the pirates dashed off.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

**THE ARGENTINE NAVY.**

A TEN YEARS' PROGRAMME.

BUENOS AIRES, September 30th.

A Bill has been approved by Parliament, authorising a naval expenditure of 75,000,000 gold pesos over a period of ten years.

It provides for three light cruisers, six destroyers and six submarines, partly replacing obsolete craft, through the programme contemplates re-conditioning old vessels, and the replacement of auxiliary craft devoted to instruction, exploration, and patrol. It also provides for the construction of a navy yard at Mard El Plata, and the enlargement of the shipyards at River Plate and Puerto Belgrano.

**U.S. AND WORLD COURT.**WITHDRAWAL OFFICIALLY  
DENIED.

WASHINGTON, September 30th.

Reports that the United States has decided to withdraw from the World Court are officially contradicted.

It is pointed out that such action is impossible without the consent of the Senate. Actually, the United States is maintaining the *status quo*, as Mr. Kellogg has not yet received replies from all the addresses of the United States' original questionnaire.

**MR. C. E. HUGHES.**

APPOINTMENT AT THE HAGUE.

WASHINGTON, September 30th.

President Coolidge has appointed the ex-Secretary of State, Mr. Charles Evans Hughes, to be the United States member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague for a term of six years.

**CRUDE RUBBER.**BIG JUMP IN AMERICAN IMPORT  
VALUES.

WASHINGTON, September 30th.

The United States Chamber of Commerce announces that in the course of an analysis of the United States world trade the imports of crude rubber during the first half year increased by 117 per cent. in value, but the quantity showed only eight per cent. increase.

The average price per lb. in 1925 was 34½ cents compared with 69½ cents from January to June, 1926, when the value of the total imports was \$322,000,000.

**THE NEW ARGENTINE BONDS.**

New York, September 30th.

The issue of Government of Argentina Bonds to the amount of \$16,800,000 has been over-subscribed.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

**CHAMBERLAIN AND MUSSOLINI.**

RUGBY, September 30th.

The meeting between Sir Austen Chamberlain and Signor Mussolini is to take place to-day at Leghorn, on Sir Austen Chamberlain's yacht, *Dolphin*.

**COAL DISPUTE.**

BELIEVED "NEARLY THE END."

MEN DRIFTING BACK.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, September 30th.

The decision of the Miners' Delegate Conference to refer the Government's proposals to the rank and file in the coalfields, means that another week must elapse before any further action is taken by the miners. Lodge meetings, at which the Government's proposals will be submitted for acceptance or rejection, and the delegates will return to London and report the results to their adjourned Conference next Thursday.

In announcing their decision to refer to the coalfields, the officials of the Miners' Federation added: "The districts may, of course, come forward with their own proposals apart altogether from those of the Miners' Executive and of the Government."

**Miners Still Drifting Back.**

While, however, there is to be this further week's delay, the drift back to work is undoubtedly gathering momentum.

Figures received from eight districts alone show that 7,568 men returned to work to-day, making a total for the last four days of 35,143. It is authentically stated that the number of persons employed in pits producing coal is now 156,192. A significant development has occurred at Treorchy, in the Rhondda Valley, where, after a mass meeting of miners yesterday, a deputation waited on the owners and asked them to postpone the resumption of work until news was received of to-day's Delegates Conference in London. The deputation pledged itself, on behalf of the mass meeting, that when the results of the Conference was known, there would be no interference by local leaders with the men who wished to start work.

Messrs. Herbert Smith, J. Richardson and A. J. Cook, three of the chief officials of the Miners' Federation were not present at to-day's Delegate Conference. They left early by aeroplane for Ostend, to attend the Miners' International Federation, at which proposals are to be discussed for assisting the British miners.

**Exchequer Returns.**

The effect of the prolonged coal stoppage is reflected in the Exchequer returns for the first half of the year, ending September 30th. The receipts amounted to £222,250,000, as against an expenditure of £284,000,000, showing a deficit of £61,750,000. For the corresponding half of the previous financial year, the receipts totalled £244,000,000.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

**Not Far Off.**

LONDON, September 30th.

The continued drift back of men to the coal mines, which is gathering momentum, is regarded as a strong indication that the termination of the strike is not far off. Seven thousand miners have resumed since yesterday and there was a positive boom in coal shares on the Cardiff Stock Exchange to-day.

Following an important break away at the Atherton Colliery in Lancashire, yesterday, comes news from Wales to the effect, that in the early hours of the morning an arrangement was made between the miners' leaders and the Ocean Collieries, Rhondda Valley, that the owners consent not to re-open the pits until Saturday, when the leaders will not interfere with willing workers. These collieries normally employ 11,000 men, and it is expected that 60 per cent. will return.

**No International Strike.**

OSTEND, September 30th.

Seven nations were represented on the miners' International Committee which was convened to consider International measures to support the British miners. The meeting was adjourned until tomorrow without any official statement. Mr. Cook and Mr. Herbert Smith represented Great Britain.

It is reported that two currents of opinion developed, the first, led by the General Secretary, Mr. Hodges, favouring conciliation; and the second, led by Mr. Cook, credited with a desire to continue the strike and obtain a national agreement.

It was early revealed that there is no chance of an international coal strike, the Germans being particularly opposed to the idea on the ground that they are obliged under Treaty to export coal to Italy, France, and Belgium on account of reparations.

The British Delegates announced that the total subscriptions towards relief of British miners, was £1,250,000, and it was practically all disbursed. It was stated that the export of coal to Britain was one million tons weekly, most of which emanated from the United States and Poland.

**COBHAM IN LONDON.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ARRIVES YESTERDAY.

LONDON, October 1st.

Cobham arrived at Westminster at 2.15 p.m.

**The Final Stage.**

MARSEILLES, September 30th.  
Captain Alan Cobham has departed and will halt near Paris overnight, prior to the final stage to London.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

**An Afternoon Landing.**

RUGBY, September 30th.

Captain Cobham flew to-day from Orbetello to Marseilles, and is proceeding then to Sartrouville, near Paris.

From there to-morrow he will make the final stage of his flight, arriving in London at about three o'clock in the afternoon.

**THE "AUSSIES."**

HOMEWARD BOUND VIA CANADA.

ENTHUSIASTIC SEND-OFF IN  
LONDON.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, October 1st.

The Australian cricketers left for home from London this morning. They were seen off at Paddington Station by Lord Hampden and Lord Harris, Messrs. Warner, Leveson Gower and a large and enthusiastic crowd.

The party sailed from Liverpool this afternoon aboard the C.P.R. liner *Montrose* for Quebec. They are due in Sydney on November 13th.

**BALMORAL TO-DAY.**COMFORT WITHOUT  
OSTENTATION.

ROYAL TASTE IN FICTION.

Balmoral, where the King and Queen spent some time in September, presents a vastly different appearance from what it did in the reign of Queen Victoria, whose favourite residence it always remained, writes a special correspondent of a Home paper. King Edward then once bluntly described it as "the draughtiest hole in the country," and it well deserved the description.

But all this has been altered. To-day there is no better arranged or more comfortable residence to be found throughout Scotland.

**Palace Without Bathrooms!**

King Edward spent considerable sums upon improving Balmoral shortly after he came to the Throne, and bringing it more into line with modern requirements. As an example of the conditions that prevailed before he took the place in hand, it may be mentioned that there was not a single fitted bathroom throughout the Castle, and even the most distinguished visitors had to be content with a humble "slipper bath" in their dressing-rooms.

Early in his reign King George also carried out improvements at Balmoral, while the Queen personally supervised practically the entire refurnishing and re-decoration of the Castle, which now presents a very bright and imposing appearance. There is, however, little about the place to denote the Royal status of its owner beyond the carpeted footmen, the residence being arranged with a single eye to comfort. Here show or ostentation in any shape or form is very distasteful to both the King and the Queen.

The King, though very fond of reading, rarely reads modern novels, most of which he admits bore him. But he likes Joseph Conrad's novels, and a complete set of them is to be found in each of the Royal residences, along with the works of Kipling and Hardy.

Hardy, by the way, is the Queen's favourite living author. King Edward once remarked that the library at Balmoral contained the finest collection of unimportant and uninteresting books that had ever been got together, and that it was "the great home of the unread." This has been quite changed to-day. The King himself superintended the removal of the books that had formerly been placed here, and the substitution of others that made greater appeal to him. Works of travel and biography occupy the greater portion of the shelves to-day.

**The Gardens.**

Both the King and the Queen take great interest in the gardens of Balmoral, and pass much of their time there when the weather is favourable. They have been almost completely remodelled of recent years under the Queen's direction.

Altogether there is very much to attract the visitor at Balmoral. The outstanding characteristics and personal tastes of the King and the Queen are revealed there to a greater extent, possibly, than at any other of their residences.

**M. KARAKHAN'S  
SUCCESSOR.**

A TEMPORARY SUBSTITUTE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Moscow, October 1st.

M. Chernich, the Soviet Plenipotentiary representative in Latvia, has been appointed temporary substitute to M. Karakhan, the Soviet Ambassador to China, and is on his way to Peking to take up his duties.

**FASHION WORLD CHALLENGE.**WOMEN DISPUTE THE DICTATION  
OF MEN.

PARIS REVOLT.

Woman is asserting herself as "Mistress of the Modes" this season. She has challenged the supremacy of the men dressmakers, who have hitherto dictated the feminine fashions of the civilised world, and by sheer force of originality and ingenuity, combined with an understanding of the dress needs of her sex, she is taking control of fashion in many unexpected directions.

This remarkable change in fashion dictation is demonstrated by the dress displays now taking place in Paris, whose women dressmakers have led the revolt against mannish modes.

**Sports Dresses.**

"A woman for women" is the autumn slogan of one great dressmaker, who assures her clients that she is catering for all types of women, from the shy debutante to the dangerous woman of the world, who is not above the sartorial emphasis of her charms. Another woman has produced some of the greatest sports dress novelties of the season.

Europe and America have for some time been taking their millinery gospel from women whose names are becoming internationally famous in fashion circles. This new incidence of power removes the old reproach that woman had to look to man for the fashioning of her clothes, as well as the money to pay for them.

**ANOTHER LAWN TENNIS  
PROFESSIONAL.**VINCENT RICHARDS ALONG WITH  
"SUZANNE."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, October 1st.

Vincent Richards has become a professional lawn tennis player, under the supervision of Mr. C. C. Pyle. The announcement was made by Mr. Pyle at a dinner aboard the liner *Paris* in honour of Mlle. Lenglen.

**LADIES' GOLF.**AMERICAN CHAMPION  
DEFEATED.

New York, September 30th.

A message from Haverford, Pennsylvania, says that the third round of the Ladies' Golf Championship produced a surprise, in the shape of the defeat of the champion, Miss Collett, by two holes by Miss Wilson, who was down most of the way. She sensationally recovered and became two up at the sixteenth and halved the seventeenth for the match.

**U.S. GOLF.**SURPRISE DEFEAT OF MISS  
COLLETT.

HAVERFORD (Pa.), September 30th.

The third round of the American ladies' golf championship produced a surprise in the shape of the defeat of the champion, Miss Collett, by two holes, by Miss Wilson, who was down most of the way.

She sensationally recovered and became two up at the 16th, and then halved the 17th for the match.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

**HOME FOOTBALL.**

GLASGOW CUP RE-PLAY.

LONDON, September 30th.

In the Third Division (South) of the League to-day, Newport defeated Charlton by two goals to one, and Queen's Park Rangers defeated Aberdeen by three goals to nil.

In the Glasgow Cup re-play at Hampden Park, Glasgow Rangers defeated Queen's Park by three goals to one.

# Daily Press Cricket Competition.

## Selecting the Hongkong Interport Team.

### Series B Coupons.

THE DAILY PRESS CRICKET COMPETITION HAS NOW  
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UNTIL OCTOBER 31st A SERIES B COUPON WILL BE PUBLISHED IN EACH ISSUE OF THE PAPER.

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ALL LISTS IN SERIES B MUST REACH THE "DAILY PRESS"  
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FIRST PRIZE WILL BE WON BY A TOTAL OF NOT MORE  
THAN 350.

IN SERIES B ALONE 350 POINTS CAN BE SCORED BY A  
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JUDGED AS TWENTY LISTS AND WILL BE MARKED  
ACCORDINGLY.

### Prizes.

First Prize	- - - - -	8200
Second Prize	- - - - -	50
Third Prize	- - - - -	25

In the very unlikely event of a tie, these prizes will be divided.

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HONGKONG DAILY PRESS

Cricket Competition

Series B,

October 2nd, 1926.



## THE DANGEROUS SEASON.

Run down, with resistance weakened by the enervating and debilitating hot weather, the human system at this time of year is particularly open to attacks of Influenza, Bronchitis, Consumption and many other complaints, all accompanied, or followed by Anaemia.

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### CHURCH NOTICES.

**St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.**  
October 2nd, 1926, 18th Sunday after  
Trinity.  
Holy Communion at 8 a.m.  
Children's Flower Service at 10 a.m.  
Address by the Lord Bishop.  
Matins at 11.00 a.m.  
Preacher:—Rev. G. R. Lindsay.  
Holy Communion at 12 noon.  
Evening Service at 6 p.m.  
Preacher:—Rev. H. Copley Moyle. [97]

**Union Church—Kennedy Road.**  
Sunday Services, October 3rd:—  
Sunday School at 10 a.m.  
Morning Service at 11 a.m.  
—To Deum.  
Communion at 12 noon. Open to all  
Christians.  
P.S.A. in Lecture Hall at 4 p.m.  
Evening Service at 6 p.m.  
Preacher, Morning and Evening:—  
Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.  
Wednesday, October 6th, at 8.15 p.m.—  
Soldiers and Sailors' Christian Association.  
Friday, October 8th, at 8.30 p.m.—Chris-  
tian Endeavour Meeting and Social Hour. [95]

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.**  
Macdonnell Road, below Bowra Road  
Tram Station.  
Sunday Service, October 3rd, at 11.15 a.m.  
Subject:—UNREALITY.  
Wednesday Evening Meeting at 5.30 p.m.  
Reading Room at above address, open  
Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 Noon.  
Monday and Thursday, 5 to 7 p.m.—Chris-  
tian Endeavour Meeting and Social Hour. [97]

### UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

The following is a list of unclaimed telegrams  
lying in the Eastern Extension, Australasia and  
China Telegraph Company's office at Hong-  
kong:—

Address	From
Carley	Los Angeles
Gibbs	Shanghai
South China Trading Co.	Los Angeles

### THE TALLEST POLICEMAN.

5 FEET 6 1/2 INCHES.

SQUAD OF 20 MORE THAN 6 FT. 3 IN.

Great interest has been taken in the presence in the coal district of Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, of the "shock section" of 20 Manchester policemen, probably the tallest police squad in the world.

These men, who in Manchester act as point duty officers at Piccadilly, Market-street, and other centres, are being used as a flying force, dealing with any emergency. Each of them is more than 6 ft. 3 in. tall, while the giant, who is 6 ft. 6 1/2 in., claims to be the tallest policeman in the world.

They are moved to secret headquarters every day, and are rushed in "motor-coaches" from village to village, as their services are required.

They are described as "the best-tempered fellows in the world," although they have a reputation of being able to face the ugliest situation. Despite their ability to deal out punishment, they are seldom called upon to use force. They have never drawn their batons since their arrival. As soon as they appear the mob scatters hurriedly, and very little difficulty has been experienced after their visit.

An ordinary policeman looks quite small beside the squad, and the tall Derbyshire sergeant who is in charge of them says that he feels like a schoolboy beside them. All of them are nearly a head above the sergeant.

The Manchester police are very popular in the district, and a football match between unemployed miners and police is among the entertainments they have arranged.

### QUEEN POSES FOR CHILD.

During Cowes Regatta the Queen and a little girl figured in a happy scene. The child in a pinnace approached near the Royal yacht, and vainly endeavoured to snap-shot the Queen. Her Majesty saw her and smilingly came forward, placed her hands on the rail, and posed for the little girl, who got her picture.

### CRICKET LEAGUE.

TWO NEW TEAMS.

#### THE SEASON'S FIXTURES.

(Compiled by a Cricket Correspondent.)

The coming Season promises to be one of great interest to local cricketers. The inclusion of the new Regiment, the King's Own Scottish Borderers, in the First Division is most welcome, as there is nothing so stimulating in a competition as the expectation of some very good talent. In sports, the reputation of the K.O.S.B. has already been established before their arrival, and it is hoped that they will prove, as good in cricket as in the other games—they are reputed to be good in. The Navy may have a large selection from the cruisers now on their way here, if these are not called away on other contingencies. The local Clubs have retained their "old hands" and their progress will certainly be worth watching. There are eleven teams in the First Division.

In the Second Division, the Club de Recreio enter for the first time and in view of the fact that the Portuguese have done well in other games, they should be able to adapt themselves to cricket. The R.A.O.C. have also entered a team and there are ten teams in the Division. Last year's winners were:—  
Royal Navy.....1st Division  
Royal Engineers.....2nd Division  
The season's fixtures follow:—

#### First Division.

October 2nd:—  
Civil Service C.C. v. University.  
October 16th:—  
University v. Indian R.C.  
October 23rd:—  
Kowloon C.C. v. Indian R.C.  
October 30th:—  
Civil Service C.C. v. Royal Artillery.  
November 6th:—  
Chinese R.C. v. Royal Artillery.  
November 13th:—  
Interport Week.  
Civil Service C.C. v. Royal Navy.  
Kowloon C.C. v. Royal Artillery.  
November 20th:—  
Chinese R.C. v. Hongkong C.C.  
University v. R.E. and R. Signals.  
November 27th:—  
University v. Hongkong C.C.  
Civil Service C.C. v. Indian R.C.  
Chinese R.C. v. Craighower.  
December 4th:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. K.O.S. Borderers.  
Craighower v. Civil Service C.C.  
Indian R.C. v. R.E. and R. Signals.  
December 11th:—  
Civil Service C.C. v. R.E. and R. Signals.  
Kowloon C.C. v. Craighower.  
Chinese R.C. v. K.O.S. Borderers.  
Indian R.C. v. Royal Navy.  
December 18th:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. Indian R.C.  
Chinese R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.  
Kowloon C.C. v. University.  
Royal Navy v. R.E. and R. Signals.  
December 25th/27th:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. Army.  
Friendly match.  
December 29th/30th:—  
Army v. Navy.  
Friendly match.  
January 1st/3rd, 1927:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. Navy.  
Friendly match.  
January 8th:—  
Craighower v. University.  
Royal Navy v. Royal Artillery.  
Kowloon C.C. v. Hongkong C.C.  
Chinese R.C. v. Indian R.C.  
January 15th (Wednesday):—  
Royal Artillery v. R.E. and R. Signals.

January 15th:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. Royal Navy.  
Craighower v. Royal Artillery.  
Kowloon C.C. v. Chinese R.C.  
January 22nd:—  
Craighower v. Hongkong C.C.  
University v. Royal Artillery.  
Kowloon C.C. v. Royal Navy.  
January 29th:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. Combined League.  
February 2nd:—  
University v. Royal Navy.  
February 5th:—  
Craighower v. K.O.S. Borderers.  
February 12th:—  
Kowloon C.C. v. Civil Service C.C.  
Chinese R.C. v. R.E. and R. Signals.  
Craighower v. Royal Navy.  
Indian R.C. v. K.O.S. Borderers.  
February 19th:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. C.S.C.C.  
Craighower v. R.E. and R. Signals.  
February 26th:—  
H.K.C.C. v. R.E. and R. Signals.  
C.S.C.C. v. K.O.S. Borderers.  
Chinese R.C. v. Royal Navy.  
March 5th:—  
Chinese R.C. v. University.  
Kowloon C.C. v. Royal Artillery.  
March 12th:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. Royal Artillery.  
University v. K.O.S. Borderers.  
Kowloon C.C. v. R.E. and R. Signals.  
Craighower v. Indian R.C.  
March 19th:—  
Indian R.C. v. Royal Artillery.  
Kowloon C.C. v. K.O.S. Borderers.  
March 26th:—  
Winners v. Rest, at the Hongkong C.C. ground.  
Three matches have yet to be arranged, viz.:—  
K.O.S. Borderers v. Royal Artillery.  
Do. v. R.E. and R. Signals.  
Do. v. Royal Navy.  
These will be fixed when the Regiment arrive.

#### Second Division.

October 16th:—  
Kowloon C.C. v. University.  
Police R.C. v. H.M.S. Tamar.  
October 23rd:—  
University v. Indian R.C.  
Civil Service C.C. v. H.M.S. Tamar.  
(Continued on next Column.)

### PORTUGUESE AQUATIC GALA.

THIRD ANNUAL EVENT OF CLUB DE RECREIO.

The third annual aquatic gala of the Club de Recreio is to be held on Sunday, October 10th, at the Victoria Recreation Club beginning at 2.30 p.m.

There are nine events in the programme open to members of the Portuguese community, and six events confined to members of the Club de Recreio only.

Entrance fee will be 50 cents for each event, or \$2.50 for all. For boys' races the entrance fee will be 20 cents for each event, but event No. 8, 100 yards handicap (open to members of the V.R.C.) will be free.

Entries, accompanied with entrance fee, should be sent to Mr. Fred A. Xavier, Messrs. Bros. Ltd., 5, Duddell Street, by noon on Monday next.

The various events to be decided at the gala are as under:—

For Members of the Portuguese Community.

50 yards Handicap (open to school boys).  
100 yards Championship (open to school boys).  
100 yards Championship.  
100 yards Variety Stroke.  
High Dive.  
Long Plunge.  
Water Polo.  
100 yards Handicap (open to members of the V.R.C.).  
50 yards Consolation Race.

For Members Only.

100 yards Handicap.  
50 yards Handicap.  
Pillow Fight.  
Diving for Plates.  
Ladies' Nomination.  
Team Race.

October 30th:—  
H.M.S. Tamar v. R.A.O.C.

November 6th:—  
University v. Civil Service C.C.

November 13th:—  
Royal Navy v. Civil Service C.C.

November 20th:—  
Kowloon C.C. v. R.A.O.C.

November 27th:—  
H.M.S. Tamar v. University.

November 27th:—  
Kowloon C.C. v. Royal Navy.

November 27th:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. University.

November 27th:—  
Indian R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.

November 27th:—  
Royal Navy v. R.A.O.C.

December 4th:—  
Recreio v. R.A.O.C.

December 11th:—  
Kowloon C.C. v. Police R.C.

December 11th:—  
Police R.C. v. Civil Service C.C.

December 11th:—  
Recreio v. H.M.S. Tamar.

December 18th:—  
Indian R.C. v. Hongkong C.C.

December 18th:—  
University v. R.A.O.C.

December 18th:—  
Police R.C. v. Royal Navy.

January 8th, 1927:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

January 15th:—  
Civil Service C.C. v. Recreio.

January 15th:—  
Indian R.C. v. Royal Navy.

January 15th:—  
Police R.C. v. R.A.O.C.

January 22nd:—  
Recreio v. Indian R.C.

January 22nd:—  
Police R.C. v. Hongkong C.C.

January 29th:—  
Police R.C. v. Royal Navy.

January 29th:—  
University v. Recreio.

February 5th:—  
H.M.S. Tamar v. Indian R.C.

February 12th:—  
Kowloon C.C. v. H.M.S. Tamar.

February 12th:—  
Royal Navy v. University.

February 12th:—  
Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

February 12th:—  
Indian R.C. v. Police R.C.

February 19th:—  
Civil Service C.C. v. Hongkong C.C.

February 19th:—  
R.A.O.C. v. Indian R.C.

February 19th:—  
Royal Navy v. H.M.S. Tamar.

February 26th:—  
Kowloon C.C. v. Recreio.

March 5th:—  
University v. Police R.C.

March 12th:—  
Kowloon C.C. v. R.A.O.C.

March 19th:—  
Recreio v. Hongkong C.C.

March 19th:—  
Civil Service C.C. v. R.A.O.C.

March 26th:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. Royal Navy.

March 26th:—  
Winners v. Rest, at the Kowloon C.C. ground.

April 2nd:—  
Hongkong C.C. v. H.M.S. Tamar.

The following are the representatives for the different Clubs competing in the League:—

Hongkong Cricket Club:—Mr. H. Owen

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Kowloon Cricket Club:—Mr. J. C. Lyle,

H.M. Dockyard.

Civil Service Cricket Club:—Mr. P. T.

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Royal Navy, Pay-Comdr. W. F. Coombe,

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R.A. Headquarters.

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Hongkong University:—Mr. F. Hip-

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ander.

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Roberts, Ordnance Office.

Chinese Recreation Club:—Mr. C. Wong,

South China Morning Post.

Club de Recreio:—Mr. F. H. de Car-

valho, Andersen, Meyer Co.

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#### Match Postponed.

The match between the Civil Service C.C. and the University fixed for Satur-  
day next has been postponed.

### TO-DAY'S CRICKET.

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

The following friendly cricket matches are down for decision this afternoon:—  
C.S.C.C. 1st XI. v. the Hongkong University.

Hongkong University 2nd XI. v. the Diocesan Boys' School.  
Club de Recreio v. the C.S.C.C. "A."  
The Police R.C. v. the Hongkong Electric R.C.

#### To-morrow's Match.

To-morrow afternoon at the University Cricket ground the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps will play against the "Phoenix" XI.

[Note: All the above matches will be played on the ground of the first-mentioned Club.]

### FOOTBALL.

H.K.F.C. WHITES v. COLOURS.

This match will be played this afternoon on the Club ground:—  
Whites:—Rodger; Wallington and Howard; Brown, Stewart and Watson; Ross, Brodie, Hanson, McBride and King.

Colours:—Slipper; Purves and Hill; Smith, Raitton and Russakoff; Bell, Johnston Linaker, Valentine and Key.

#### V.R.C. NIGHT FETE.

NOVELTY RACE.

The fourth Night Fete of the season, which is being held to-night, commencing at 9 o'clock, will include a novelty race which will provide not a little amusement. The introduction is welcome, as it certainly drives away the seriousness of competitive swimming and gives relaxation both to the participants and the onlookers. The swimmers in this novel race will line up in full dress and later on don a life belt which will have to be properly worn to the finish, otherwise the defaulter will be disqualified.

The entries for the other events include the best local swimmers. Some fine contests should be witnessed.

### CHINESE ANNUAL HARBOUR RACE.

TO TAKE PLACE TO-DAY.

Invitations have been issued by the Chinese Bathing Club and the South China Athletic Association in connection with the Chinese Annual Harbour Race which takes place to-day from the South China Athletic Association's bathing shed near Quarry Bay at 2.15 p.m.

A launch will leave the Harbour Office Wharf at 2 p.m. for the scene of the race.

#### ANNUAL AQUATICS.

THE ENTRIES AND SOME PROSPECTS.

The entries for the V.R.C. Annual Aquatic Sports, which will be held next week, closed yesterday at 6 p.m., and, while below the average, this is not expected to interfere with the success of the meeting. Most of the local experts have joined, and will no doubt compete against one another with great keenness.

As a result, however, there will be no heats on the days set apart for them, with the exception of Monday when the Breast Stroke, commencing at 5.30 p.m. will be held. The following have been set off:—  
1st Heat.—H. A. Barros, L. S. H. Ford, Wan Kwang Ting and Ng Yuk Kwan.

2nd Heat.—Lieut. Corpl. C. H. Clarke, Leung Tit Sang and Ip Kum In.

3rd Heat.—Wong Ping Fan, E. A. Gil-

mour and L. S. Lipscombe.

#### The Prospects.

The events have been carefully appro-

priated to different days so that, as far as possible, the competitors need not enter upon another race after having taken part in a strenuous one the same day.

According to form, D. Lyon is fancied for the 100 and 200 yard Open Championship of the Colony, although Razavet and Noronha will give him a stiff race in the former event. May, who has entered for the 220, 440 and 880 yards Open Championships, is expected to win the 220, but there is a whisper that Cooke, the veteran, is serious about winning this event. With his better experience and judgment over the young and promising swimmer he may win it. Gittins is also a good man for this event, which will be the opening event of the meeting. There are eight entries in all.

The 440 is perhaps the most open event and there is not much to choose between the four entrants. The back stroke will probably be won by E. A. Noronha. Brodie is a good all-round swimmer and may be expected "to do something."

The Services have entered a number of men who may turn out to be "dark horses." There is a special event for them which should prove specially interesting.

The entries for the Services, Ladies' and Boys' Championship will be open till 6 p.m. on Sunday.

The following are the entries for the principal events:—  
100 Yards Open Championship.—E. A. Noronha, D. Lyon, E. A. Brodie and G. R. Razavet.

220 Yards Open Championship.—D. Lyon, E. A. Brodie and A. May.

440 Yards Open Championship.—D. Lyon, C. J. Cooke, E. A. Brodie and A. May.

880 Yards Open Championship.—S. Y. Gittins, B. Assumpcao, C. J. Cooke, Bombr. J. Norris, E. A. Brodie, A. May, A. B. F. Lonsdale and G. R. Razavet.

100 Yards Back Stroke.—E. A. Noronha, E. A. Gilmour, L. S. D. Ford and G. R. Razavet.

High Dive Open Championship.—F. Zimmern, A. C. Carpenter, E. A. Brodie and L. E. D. Ford.

Long Plunge Open Championship.—S. H. Garrod, W. M. Gittins, J. M. M. Alves and C. J. Cooke.

### QAJAR PRETENDER IN PERSIA.

INTRIGUE AGAINST NEW DYNASTY.

#### A TURBULENT CAREER.

The wind from the Middle East brings rumour after rumour of trouble in Persia, and although some of the difficulties which the Government of Reza Shah Pahlavi was sure to encounter may have exaggerated, there is certainly no lack both in Persia and outside of agents ready to dispute the rights of the existing Government.

One of more interesting reports concerns the reappearance of the notorious Persian pretender, the Salari d-Dawla, the brother of the deposed Muhammad Ali Shah. This man is stated to be intriguing in Persian Kurdistan, and to be summoning the local tribes in the name of the Qajars, that Dynasty which appeared to peter out so dimly with the ex-Shah, Sultan Ahmed.

He is by no means unknown to the British authorities in the Middle East, although his nefarious activities began long before British commitments there were as considerable as they are to-day. For instance, in 1907 he raised a following in the district of Hamadan and announced his intention of seizing the throne of Teheran. In 1908 he was found alibustering again with these Kurdish tribesmen, who he is now said to be trying to seduce once more. And in 1911 his forces were defeated by the Persian Government troops and his estates confiscated.











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"MANTUA"	10,902	13th Nov.	Marseilles and London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	25th Nov.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"KARMALA"	9,128	27th Nov.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp and Hull.
"NELLORE"	6,232	9th Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Bombay.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	11th Dec.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"DELTA"	8,097	23rd Dec.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Bombay.
"KHIVA"	9,135	25th Dec.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MIRZAPUR"	6,715	3rd Jan.	Marseilles, London, Hamburg & Rotterdam.
"NYANZA"	7,023	8th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,941	9th Jan.	Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	22nd Jan.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MOREA"	10,913	5th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,003	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MANTUA"	10,902	5th March	Marseilles and London.
"MONGOLIA"	18,504	19th March	Marseilles and London.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Rotterdam.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KARMALA"	9,128	13th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MALWA"	10,980	30th April	Marseilles and London.
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